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# WIEA honors outstanding Ho-Chunk students and language teacher

Kathleen Roberts  
Staff Writer

Wisconsin Indian Education Association (WIEA) held their annual conference April 10 - 12, 2014 in Bayfield, Wisconsin. WIEA President, Brian Jackson gave his personal welcome to everyone attending. He expressed his appreciation and appreciation on behalf of WIEA by saying, "Miigwetch to the Red Cliff Tribe and to the school district of Bayfield, Wisconsin for hosting the event this year." Jackson stated, "It's an exciting time for WIEA as we continue to grow and adjust, we remain motivated and responsive to address and serve the needs of Indian Education. WIEA is encountering many changes and we're striving to meet these challenges through seeking new partnerships and collaborations."

Highlights of the conference included keynote speakers in the field of Indian education such as RunningHorse Livingston (Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa) (Math-Wigametry), Dr. Anton Treuer (Ojibwe Language Professor) and

Ahniwake Rose (Cherokee) (National Indian Education Association.) Fields trips as part of the organized activities included tours of the Red Cliff Tribal fishery, viewing the Tribal Headstart buildings and grounds, and visiting the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point facility for Aquaculture demonstrations and studies. Keeping with the mission statement: "Wisconsin Indian Education Association's mission is to promote education and educationally related opportunities for American Indian people in Wisconsin," WIEA offered youth and adult educational workshops along with the fieldtrips as part of the conference. The keynote speakers gave opening presentations, then breakout sessions began, which included the following: Act 31; special education and IEP; school Readiness and support; culture sensitivity; culture - art and language; educational curriculum; science - natural resources and technology; legislative; affiliations.

Prior to the Saturday evening banquet held at the Legendary Waters Resort and Casino at Red Cliff, Wisconsin, a special reception was held for WIEA's award winners and their families and guests. At this time photographs and interviews were held with each

award recipient. The following students and adults were selected in various categories as follows:

1. Rosalie Brown Thunder, Ho-Chunk language and culture teacher, Black River Falls, WI - Outstanding Indian Educator of the Year.

2. John Esposito, Principal of Lake Superior Intermediate School, Ashland, WI - Ronald N. Satz, Friend of Indian Education.

3. John Royal Cornelius, 3rd grade student, Third Street School, Black River Falls, WI - Pre-K-3rd grade - Outstanding Student of the Year.

4. Leticia Casarez, 5th grade student, Gebhardt Elementary School, Black River Falls, WI - 4th-7th grade - Outstanding Student of the Year.

5. Jacob and Nicolas Schwitzer, 10th grade students, Shawano Community High School, Shawano, WI - 8th - 10th grade - Outstanding Student(s) of the Year.

6. Adriana Hernandez-White, 11th grade student, Black River Falls High School, Black River Falls, WI - 11th- 12th grade - Outstanding Student of the Year.

Honorable mention certificates for 2014 were awarded by WIEA to the following students and adults: Silas Cleveland, Ho-Chunk Nation; Kendra Edwards, Lac de Flambeau Chippewa; Casey LaFernier, Red Cliff Chippewa; Gary Kmiecik, Hunk Papa Lakota; and Lori Erickson.

WIEA was established in 1985 by a group of concerned Indian educators, with the intention to carry-on efforts of the former Great Lakes Intertribal Council education subcommittee. The Great Lakes Intertribal Council education committee began in the early 1970's but was disbanded around 1983 due to lack of funds. The group of concerned Indian educators be-



WIEA award winner, 3rd grader John Royal Cornelius, Outstanding Student of the Year 2014 and Rosalie Brown Thunder - WIEA Outstanding Educator of the Year 2014.

gan meeting again in 1984. After a series of meetings, they developed by-laws and a mission statement. The group was formally organized in 1985 as the Wisconsin Indian Education Association. The organization's initial function was primarily for information sharing. However, WIEA's Board has become proactive regarding issues that affect Indian education. Some of WIEA's work includes: appointments to the Governor's task force on recruitment and retention of minorities to the Wisconsin technical college system; providing input to the University of Wisconsin system's Design for Diversity 2008; Serving in an advisory

capacity to the Wisconsin state superintendent and the Department of Public Instruction for programs that affect Indian students in the public school system.; providing testimony before the Wisconsin state legislature on issues such as strengthening Act 31 in 1989; increasing the maximum award for the Wisconsin Indian Grant and issues about Indian mascots and logos in public

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Leticia Casarez-5th grade WIEA Outstanding Student of the Year 2014.



Adriana Hernandez-White - 11th grade WIEA Outstanding Student of the Year 2014.

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# Hearing from you is important to me

Submitted by Chris Danou, WI State Representative

Spring is here and it's an even year so the legislative session is winding down in Madison. Even though there still a possibility for a few more days of being on the floor, it seems as though the 2013-2014 legislative session has ended. This session wasn't the most productive we've had and some of the things that were done, or not addressed, inhibits our state from effectively moving forward.

Other states, including our Midwestern neighbors, such as Minnesota are doing the right things to move forward. They are investing in their schools, health care and jobs

and their economy is improving at a much more rapid rate than ours. Instead of investing in those things, we spent the last session doing things that sound good in the short-term, but don't help us in the long-run. I've heard from people in communities across our area who feel there is more we can do through the legislative process in Madison for the future well-being of our state.

In order to craft legislation that truly helps our community, it's important for legislators to hear from constituents. Whether you have a thought, idea or concern regarding legislation or other state policy, it's important for me to hear from you. In an effort to reach out to my neighbors, every

year I send out a legislative newsletter and survey that only takes a few minutes to read and complete. About two weeks ago, the newsletter was sent out and so far my office has received over 700 survey responses. While it takes time to go through them, I really appreciate and enjoy reading what you think and what's on your mind, even if we don't always agree. After all, I represent you in Madison and I need to hear from you so I can be a better voice for western Wisconsin in the Capitol.

After reading through dozens of surveys, it seems to me that there is a common theme in how people feel and what they want to see in our community and Wisconsin. We

know our economy is sputtering along and our job growth is moving at a much slower rate than the national average. We know our schools, especially those in rural areas, need necessary resources to educate the next generation of Wisconsinites.

We know there are people in communities across our state that need access to health care without going broke. We know our natural resources provide unique recreational opportunities for those who live here year-round and for tourists who contribute to our statewide economy, but yet we have seen a disregard for those resources. Clearly, there were things we should have been addressed and weren't,

but will need to be addressed next session.

Thanks to everyone who has returned a survey to my office. I appreciate the time you took to share your thoughts with me and I'll be sure to keep them in mind moving forward. I know we can get Wisconsin back on track by listening to our constituents, and I hope the Governor takes some time to hear what's on people's minds in our community and across Wisconsin. After all, it's our job to address and reflect your needs versus fulfilling an agenda that isn't in the best interest of our state.

## Our Children's Future School Visit and Community Forum Raise Questions

Submitted by WI State Senator Kathleen Vinehout

"Your future awaits," the Student Council President said as he handed students the schedule for Career Day. He then led me to the computer lab where my first class waited.

I spent the morning sharing my life as state Senator with many intelligent, interested young adults. They were as eager to learn about public service as I was to share. Many of them never thought about a career as an elected official.

More than a few left the classroom wondering why any adult would choose not to vote. In part, this was due

to the recent local election of one of their teachers – by one vote.

As I watched students respond, I understood the magic that happens in the classroom. Bringing community members from all of walks of life into the school opened a window for students into a career many had never considered.

I spoke with mostly middle school students: an age I dearly love.

The world of a young person expands every day. I watched students making connections and forming opinions as we shared. My world touched theirs.

And, if for no other reason than their own teacher's ex-

perience of winning by one vote, I experienced how youth embraced their own role as citizens. By embracing the expanding world of knowledge and the youngsters' role within our world, I saw the foundation of democracy emerge: an educated citizenry.

I saw the magic of opening minds in the bright eyes and eager questions of the students. And looking around the classroom, I saw the possibilities and the challenges.

The computer lab was filled with old cathode ray computer monitors. The best machines were discards from a college in Minnesota. After my three classes concluded, I took the opportunity to speak with sev-

eral staff members. I learned about the aging school buses - one of which was 36 years old. In the last 12 years, the district cut a 1/3 of its staff. State aid was only a third of what it had been 13 years ago.

One remaining staff member told me, "We have tremendous community support. Volunteers do all sorts of jobs to keep things looking nice... but there are some things they just can't do" - like buying a badly needed new furnace.

The evening before Career Day I was in Eau Claire participating as a panelist for the forum: Our Schools, Our Community: the state of education in Wisconsin. I joined school experts, the local school board president, an education professor, and private and public school superintendents.

I heard much about the funding problems facing public schools. Eau Claire lost \$5 million in state aid just since 2011. Eau Claire is running the same operation in 2014 as in 2006 – with the same amount of money. But we all know costs went up. Special education used to be reimbursed at 72% state funds. Now schools receive 26%. Some districts spend \$21,000 a year to educate students with a mil rate of under 3 million; other schools spend \$9,000 with a mil rate of about 9.

There was much discus-

sion about the use of public education dollars for private schools. Many participants were surprised to learn for 30 years Eau Claire sent state aid to Milwaukee for private schools. This year the state required cost will be almost \$1 million.

Panelists spent time discussing differences between publicly funded private schools and public schools. Audience members asked questions about unequal standards and testing. Some were concerned about too much emphasis on testing.

"What country leads the world in innovation and patents?" the superintendent asked the crowd. A woman from the audience shouted back, "the United States".

He then asked, "What happens when our future leaders only know how to take multiple choices tests?"

Professor Julie Mead summed up the evening's conversation when she said, "There is a state constitutional right to public education. Its overriding purpose is an educated citizenry. We all benefit from having an educated citizenry."

I thought of this as I watched the bright, intelligent eyes of the young people in my classroom-for-the-day.

Your future awaits. What have we done today to make your best possible tomorrow?

## Wisconsin Indian Education Association

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schools; creation of the Indian Mascot and Logo Task Force.

WIEA has seven regions throughout Wisconsin; each region has two representatives who serve a two-year term on the board. Board members are selected, as they were at the recent conference, during an annual business meeting. The board meets every month except in December. These meetings are held in various regions throughout the state to get input from the general membership regarding their issues and concerns. The association applied for and was granted 501 C3 non-profit tax exempt status in 1986 with the idea that fund raising for scholarships would be one of the association's major efforts. Since 1997, annual conference revenues have allowed WIEA to select and award four students a

\$1,000 scholarship; one individual is selected for each of the following categories: graduating high school senior; undergraduate college student; technical college student; graduate/PhD. Student. These are merit based scholarships requiring students to write an essay and they must be above average academically. To date, thirty-five Wisconsin Indians have been awarded WIEA scholarships.

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We have been working very hard here at CLVMA! All of our rooms have been working with their Montessori works and a variety of projects! To name a few, the Raven Room has worked on making slime, wind catchers and rainbow clouds! Our Eagle Room has made many hand print projects. Also, our Chickadee Room has had a Foot-Tastic Month, making footart!

CLVMA's Spotlight Employee is Tasha Goodbear! She started working at CLVMA in August of 2012. Tasha works well with others, is a great teacher and multi-tasker. Tasha also has a contagious, positive attitude!

Keep up the good work Tasha!



# A STATE OF EMERGENCY

**The Ho-Chunk Nation needs to establish an Obesity Prevention Program.**

**Body weight affects all aspects of health**

Health data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows that nationwide, 90 percent of people newly diagnosed with type 2 diabetes were also overweight or obese. In the Ho-Chunk Nation, the connection between high body weight and diabetes is even stronger, with 95 percent of individuals in the diabetes care program overweight or obese.

But that’s not the only potential impact on overall health that high body weight can have. Research has shown that it also contributes to higher risk for high blood pressure, high cholesterol, back and lower joint pain, several types of cancer, osteoarthritis, stroke, chronic pain, obstructive sleep apnea (breathing difficulties during sleep), and others. In some individuals, these conditions occur in combination with diabetes increasing the person’s risk for adverse

outcomes such as heart disease, blindness, kidney failure, limb amputations and the need for complex care, long-term use of multiple medications and higher potential for hospitalization.

When a person has any three of the following of the following five conditions:

- a large waist line,
  - high triglycerides,
  - low levels of high density lipoprotein (HDL as it is called or “good cholesterol”),
  - high blood pressure (your doctor refers to as hypertension),
  - high fasting blood sugar; they have what is known as “metabolic syndrome.”
- A person with metabolic syndrome is about twice as likely to develop heart disease and five times as likely to develop type 2 diabetes as someone who doesn’t have it.

One way of estimating a person’s body weight status is called the body mass index or BMI. BMI is the measurement of the relative percentages of fat and muscle mass in the human body, in which mass in kilograms is divided by height in meters

squared

Since high body weight, whether high enough to be overweight (a BMI of 25 to 29.9) or obese (30.0 or higher), can lead to so many other adverse health conditions, preventing high body weight can also help to prevent many of those other conditions. This leads to longer life and higher, healthier quality of life.

The top three most frequent reasons (primary diagnosis) for clinic visits among patients in the Ho-Chunk Nation in recent years are (in order from most frequent): type 2 diabetes, various types of pain and high blood pressure. All three of these conditions are among those associated with high body weight—obesity itself is not in the top three most frequent in part because it was only officially recognized by the American Medical Association as a disease in itself in June of 2013.

Promoting health lifeways that increase physical activity such as sports, traditional dance, walking, fitness classes and other things as well as promoting healthy traditional

diets rich in fruits, vegetables and lean meats such as wild game while avoiding high-fat, high-calorie fast foods and soft drinks can help prevent and reduce high body weight. That, in turn, can help reduce and prevent some of the most common health problems occurring today.

The Ho-Chunk Nation pays for the healthcare costs of its members as well as the full-time employees who opt to pay for the insurance provided by the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Obesity has been declared a disease by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) since June 2013. As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, the Ho-Chunk Nation does not have an Obesity Prevention Program in place. We are a sovereign Nation and we do not need to wait for a program to copy from. We employ qualified health professionals that can address this Epidemic with the following 3 stages:

- PREVENTION**
- EARLY DETECTION & INTERVENTION**
- EVIDENCE-BASED TREATMENT**

Obesity is the leading cause of Type 2 diabetes.

According to current trends; 1 out of 2 Native Children will develop Type 2 diabetes. Native children as young as 4 years old are being diagnosed and research indicates that average age of diagnosis is 12 years old.

**Life expectancy of someone diagnosed is 20 years after diagnosis. THIS IS THE 1<sup>ST</sup> GENERATION OF NATIVE CHILDREN THAT MAY NOT OUTLIVE THEIR PARENTS.**

There is an epidemic within the Ho-Chunk Nation that can be reversed with an Obesity Prevention Program. The Nation will not “make” money from implementing this program. But it is in an investment in our future generations who stand to inherit the enterprises. They would be directing healthier employees as well that would actually look forward to working for a business that shows concern for their well-being.

This Program can be started at no cost as we already employ all the necessary personnel needed to address this epidemic.

## Kitchen Spring Cleaning

**Developed by HCN Nutritionist Heather Jerzak, RD, CD**

Spring signals a fresh start and for many this includes spring cleaning. One area of our homes which can benefit greatly from spring cleaning is our kitchens, as they are used often and are a central location for friends and family to gather. Kitchen spring cleaning provides a great opportunity to keep food safe and start important food safety habits which can be continued throughout the year.

Special areas to keep in mind when spring-cleaning a kitchen include:

**The Refrigerator**

- A refrigerator’s surfaces have the potential to cross-contaminate many other foods. Therefore, it is important to keep these surfaces clean, by wiping up spills with hot soapy water & rinsing well.
- Spring cleaning time is a great time to check for hidden spills.
- If needed, a new, unopened box of baking soda can be set on a shelf to keep the refrigerator smelling fresh.
- In addition, now is a great time to check that the temperature is set below 40°F.

**The Freezer**

- Like a refrigerator, the freezer also has the potential to cross contaminate other

foods. Spring cleaning time is a great time to check for hidden spills.

- Also like the refrigerator, check to see that the temperature is set below 0°F.
- If needed, now is also a great time to de-ice the freezer. While de-icing the freezer, place frozen foods in a cooler or refrigerator for a short time to keep them from thawing & spoiling.

**Surfaces**

- Bacteria, which can cause illness, can live on many surfaces of a kitchen. When preparing food it is important to wash hands well and clean surfaces before & after with hot soapy water using a clean towel or sponge. In addition, clean surfaces and utensils with a solution of 1 tablespoon liquid chlorine bleach per 1 gallon of water.
- When spring-cleaning it is helpful to wash around & under appliances, clean appliances (such as microwaves & ovens), and check for any hidden spills.

**Expiration Dates**

- Check to see if any food items (refrigerated, frozen, and shelf-stable foods) are past their expiration date or have spoiled. To help, remember the phrase, “when in doubt, throw it out” to avoid possible food-

related illnesses.

Spring is a great time to start these and other food-safety habits which can be continued all year long.

For additional information, please visit: <http://homefoodsafety.org>



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# Workshop focuses on community vision and involvement

Ken Luchterhand  
Staff Writer

People living in a community don't always have the connections to each other that they should.

That's why a workshop, Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD), was held on Friday, April 11, at the Comfort Inn, Black River Falls.

The workshop was open to anyone working in a capacity to help organize communities to become stronger. It was sponsored by the Child and Family Services Division of Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services.

Approximately 40 people attended the event, including people from the community, from University of Wisconsin Extension, and Ho-Chunk Nation Labor and Education departments.

Deb Wisniewski, faculty member of the Asset-Based Community Development Institute at the School of Education and Social Policy, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, presented the workshop.

Wisniewski began the program by saying that most people have been conditioned to look at the negatives of their

situation and to always look to someone else for solutions, creating a lifestyle of dependency.

She suggested looking at the assets of the community, meaning people's gifts and talents, and working for a solution through community efforts.

"Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD) is based on the radical idea that all people have gifts and talents, with no exception, and our communities become stronger when people have the opportunities to share their gifts and talents in meaningful ways," she said.

"It's a way of looking at communities - a lens - that focuses on what's strong, not on what's wrong. Where are the assets of a community and how can we build on those?" she said.

During the workshop, Wisniewski shared the framework of ABCD and began exploring together how it fits with how the people of the Ho-Chunk Nation see their community.

"When people have opportunities to share their gifts and talents in meaningful ways, to do something about those things they care about, our communities become stronger," she said.

Wisniewski said she believes many people have been "taught" that the solutions to their community challenges lie in the hands of the community institutions - that someone else is responsible for taking care of the community.

"People have forgotten that our communities have a wealth of abundance in many ways and it's in our power to do something that makes a difference in our lives and in the lives of our neighbors," she said. "This program also helps us see beyond the laundry list of problems that we



Attendees of the Asset-Based Community Development workshop broke into discussion groups to assess the gifts and talents, plus the needs of the community.

so often focus on these days - and to see what we have going on that is right in our communities."

People in attendance were



Deb Wisniewski of ABCD Institute, Northwestern University, presented the workshop.

asked to break into small groups to discuss their visions for their community and what could their community become. They then brainstormed all the assets of their community and what was working, thinking beyond the usual systems that are considered.

"Much of what they discussed focused on the feelings of community among the people of the Nation, the sense of respect, and the understanding of importance of relation-

ships," Wisniewski said.

The groups present talked about possible activities they could engage in or ways they could do their work differently. One strong example embraced by a number of people was the "nothing about us without us" concept. This is an idea borrowed by the Independent Living Movement (for people with disabilities) that emphasizes the idea that, whenever discussions are held or decisions made about a person or a group of people, those individuals should be present and at the center of the discussion.

They have the abilities, ideas and gifts necessary to direct the problem-solving in a way that starts with their strengths.

The workshop closed with each person sharing an idea that they are going to begin to implement in their work.

"We hosted the workshop to be able to work better with the community," said Jaqueline Moen-Kadlec, one of the organizers and participants of the event. "We wanted to be able to provide new tools and skills to help the families that we work with."

## Brown Thunder honored for education excellence



The Black River Falls School Board, at its April 21 meeting, publicly recognized Rosalie Brown Thunder for the award she received at the Wisconsin Indian Education Conference as the Native American Educator of the Year. The Board also wanted to recognize her for her community involvement. She is a tutor at the Forrest Street Early Learning Center for math and reading and she also includes some of the Ho-Chunk language into her instruction. Giving her the certificate is Board President Mary Jo Rozmenoski.

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## Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg donates \$1000 to the Relay For Life-Langlade County

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, Senior Manager-Public Relations - HCG Wittenberg/Nekoosa

On Tuesday, April 14, 2014 Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg made a Check Presentation to the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Langlade County. Lynette LeGarde, Senior Manager-PR made the check presentation to Jolene Guenther, ACS-RFL Event Chair at 5:30pm at the Langlade County Hospital. This is the 17th Year that the Relay For Life has been an event in Langlade County. They have 18 teams signed up for the June 6, 2014 event. They have raised \$8,000.00 in online funding so far and including sponsors it is \$20,000.00. The theme for this year's event is, "Giving



the Gift of Life." They will also be having Christmas In June. They plan on including activities such as Decorating Christmas Trees and a Sassy

Santa Contest. If you are in the area, stop by and check the event out which will run Friday, June 6th, 2014 from 6:00pm to 7:00am.



# Crimes Against Children in Indian Country conference held

Kathleen Roberts  
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The 9th Annual Multi-Disciplinary Approaches to Prevent Crimes Against Children in Indian Country conference was held on April 8-9, 2014 at the Ho-Chunk Convention Center in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. The conference included workshops given by law enforcement personnel, justice system professionals, social service agencies, Fox Valley Technical College National Criminal Justice consultants, United States Attorneys, tribal child protection case managers, special agents from the Wisconsin Department of Justice, directors of public safety, tribal court officials and more.

The conference began with an opening ceremony and greeting by Susan Whitehorse, Manager-Division of Criminal Investigation. The presentation of colors was conducted by the American Legion Sanford White

Enhancing Sentencing: Means to Address Crimes Against Children in Indian Country, Drug Endangered Children in Indian Country, Unique Issues Associated with the Registration of juvenile Offenders.

Afternoon sessions following speakers Andrew Winter and Steve Schleicher both assistant United States Attorneys, District of Minnesota, were as follows: Investigation and Prosecution of the Native Mob, Tribal Courts: Best Practices to Support Family Reunification in Tribal Child Abuse or Neglect Cases, The Impact of Domestic Violence on Children, Approach to Sex Offender Management: The Importance of Victim-Centeredness. An evening reception and dinner was provided by the Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services-Youth Division. This portion of the conference featured Was'ira and United Clans drum group of the Wisconsin Dells Youth and Learning Center. A video of Hocak Youth Camp 2013 Recapturing Our Roots was also presented.

Day two included a full morning of resources and information about gang activity and gang identification, advocacy and programs for victims. Following the general session was Vision 21 and Office for Victims of

nanstuhl, Program and Policy Analyst and Advocate from the Division of Juvenile Corrections, WI Department of Corrections. The session included B.J. Spamer, Director of the National Missing and Unidentified Persons system and Susan Whitehorse who were instrumental in the 30 year journey.

The session specifically captured the different stages of Natasha's thirty year search. Natasha Barnes was two-years old when she was abducted by her father. Her auntie and mother both spoke of their experiences with law enforcement personnel and agencies. They demonstrated how a family copes with the pain and anguish in search of an abducted child.

Whitehorse and the team of advocacy specialists found the way to end the search for Natasha. Through DNA testing, mother and daughter were reunited after thirty years.

Other afternoon sessions covered: Forensic Interviews with Adolescents, Investigating and Prosecuting Child Abuse in Indian Country: United States vs. Reginald Wind, Jr., How to Coordinate a Multi-disciplinary Response to Investigate and Prosecute Child Sex Abuse Cases.

The last speaker, Jason Thomas discussed Emerging Technology: The New Battle Space. Thomas' presentation detailed the dangers and impact technology has on everyone. Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and other technologies impact us all. He gave facts and proof that shifts in the use of technology has the potential to seriously hamper law enforcement and intelligence efforts. The presentation exposed the illicit use and danger of a variety of internet technologies,



(left) Youth Services Director, Robin Blackdeer receives special recognition at Crimes Against Children in Indian Country conference.

including new technologies, hidden TOR (a web site that goes undetected), social networking, alternate reality gaming and others. This presentation gave case studies so conference attendees would gain awareness of the types of threats these technologies pose.

Robin Blackdeer, Director of Youth Services, Division of the Ho-Chunk Social Services Department, was given a gift in recognition of her dedication and service in her work and as an important support, coordinator and organizer for this conference. Alice Benaise, a child protection case manager of Red Lake Family and Children Services closed the conference as the Mistress of Ceremonies; conference staff collected evaluations and announced names for prize drawings.



(left) Taryn Greendeer, La Crosse Youth Services, shares information and questions with a presenter during the Crimes Against Children in Indian Country conference.

Eagle Post #556. The Wisconsin Dells Singers provided the opening ceremony drums and a traditional prayer was given by Evan Logan.

Following the opening ceremony, keynote speaker, Allison Turkel (Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking) presented information on safety issues that urban and rural Native Americans face. Her message in summary was that input from many resources and agencies such as education, health, law enforcement, child welfare, housing and tribal government is necessary for addressing crimes against children in Indian country. Breakout sessions for the first part of the day included: Implementation of the Signs of Safety program in a Tribal Child Welfare program, The Dark Side of Internet, Managing your Tribe's Sex Offender program, Tribal Law and Order Act

Crime Resources to Support Indian Country and Children, which gave an overview of the programs to enhance and alter the way crime victims are treated. Other topics during the breakout sessions included: Consequences of Synthetic Cannabis Use, Trauma Informed Care in Native Communities, Treatment Services Tribal Communities are Providing to Sexual Offenders, Native Gangs in Your Community, Advocacy from a Tribal Perspective, Implementation and Beyond of sex offender sentencing, monitoring, apprehending, registering and tracking.

The afternoon general session was titled A 30 Year Journey Back to Family, Tradition, and Culture was presented by Sheryl Stokes, Family Advocate; Mark Waukau, Family Violence and Outreach Advocate from the Menominee tribe; Kevin Bren-

## Blackdeer takes oath



Wade Blackdeer takes the oath of office as District 7 Supervisor for the Monroe County Board of Supervisors on April 15. Blackdeer offered a thank you to his supporters and told the audience about himself. His family was present to support Blackdeer and to watch the event.

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# Ho-Chunk Nation donates \$80,000 to Tomah Fire Department

**Ken Luchterhand**  
Staff Writer

With the donation from the Ho-Chunk Nation, a new Incident Command Vehicle has been ordered for the Tomah Fire Department.

A check for \$80,000 was donated to the Tomah Fire Department on Tuesday, April 15, at the Tomah Fire Department station.

The check was given to Fire Chief Kevin Decorah by Ho-Chunk Legislators Andrea Estebo, Henning Garvin and David Greendeer.

“We are immensely happy to be able to do this,” said Henning Garvin, District II Representative of the Ho-Chunk Nation. “We recognize the nation in Tomah have a very mutually beneficial relationship for years. We have close to 400 tribal that live in Monroe County, most of them in the Tomah area, so we know are citizens as well as our neighbors will benefit as a result of this”

The money, combined with \$200,000 from the City of Tomah and \$70,000 raised by the 30 volunteer firemen, will be used to purchase a new

Incident Command Vehicle. The cost of the new vehicle is \$349,410 and will take between eight and nine months to build and deliver.

The present Incident Command Vehicle is a renovated 1977 bread truck which was purchased in 1990 for \$14,000. It serves as both a command base and an equipment truck.

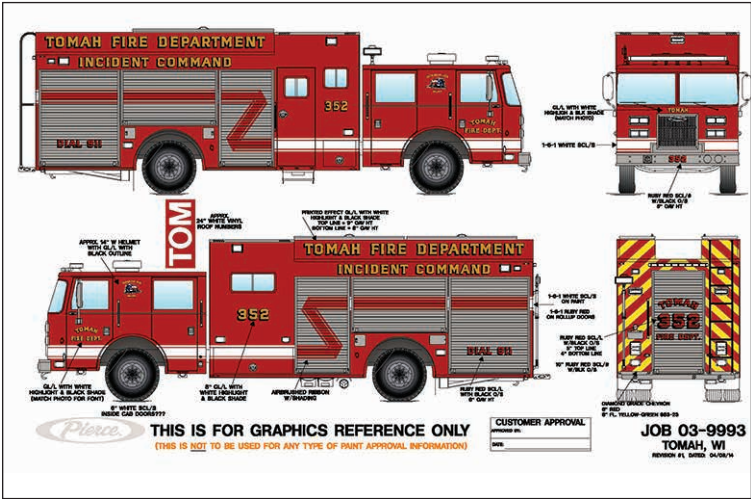
“We’ve outgrown it. We can’t all the equipment in it,” Decorah said. “We’ve been talking about getting a new vehicle for the last 10 years, but actively working on the funding for the last 5 years.”

Because it hasn’t been adequate to contain all the equipment, they leave some of it behind when traveling to an incident and come back to the station to retrieve whatever is needed, such as HAZMAT equipment.

Decorah had previously gone before the Ho-Chunk Legislature to request the money, to which the Legislature agreed. The money donated is part of the state gaming compact, which allows money generated by casinos to be donated to community



The donation check of \$80,000 to the Tomah Fire Department was presented on April 15. Representing the Ho-Chunk Nation are (from left) Legislators Andrea Estebo, Henning Garvin, and David Greendeer (far right) to Tomah Fire Department Fire Chief Kevin Decorah (third from left).



The new Incident Command Vehicle has been ordered from Pierce Manufacturing, Appleton, which is being custom built for the Tomah Fire Department and will be delivered in approximately nine months.

organizations in lieu of paying taxes.

“As many of our tribal members live in the City of Tomah, the Ho-Chunk Nation is a proud member of the Tomah area community,” Rep. Estebo said. “We are happy to be able to contribute to our neighbors in the Tomah Fire Department.”

“It is a very nice donation that the Ho-Chunk Nation has given to the City of Tomah,” said Dan Schultz of Pierce Manufacturing, Appleton, the firm constructing the new truck. “In today’s tight budgets it’s important for them to find outside sources, besides taxes, to keep their

departments functional with the changing demands placed upon them. I know I cannot speak for them, but the funding provided by the Ho-Chunk Nation is very helpful to them in trying to meet those changes.”

“We had the opportunity to help not just the city of Tomah, but Monroe County as well,” Rep. Garvin said. “The relationship between the governments of the Ho-Chunk Nation, City of Tomah and County of Monroe is strong and we are pleased to further this mutually beneficial relationship.”

Decorah said that he not see the new as fire chief because

he is retiring on May 2, but he will come back to see it when it arrives.

When he retires, he hopes to take a few months to relax and perhaps travel. He has been a member of the Tomah Fire Department for 21 years, of which 13 have been as fire chief.

“I took a trip to Russia a while back, and I really enjoyed it,” he said. After those few months, he hopes to return to working for a few years and see where it takes him.

# Job Fair features Indian preference companies

**Kathleen Roberts**  
Staff Writer

The executive building atrium was the site for several exhibits featuring companies who have worked with the Ho-Chunk Nation. Nick Kedrowski, Tero Director coordinates the job fair scheduled in spring. He mentioned that each company displaying at the fair offers Indian preference.

The Great Horse Company, displayed at the job fair, was an integral part of the design and construction of the House of Wellness. Dennis Sun Rhodes, working in coordination with Great Horse, was available to show his work as an architectural artist. He spe-

cializes in structures reflecting Native design and culture. Rodney Haring, of New York, brought his company

One Feather, to exhibit his company’s work and their program.



Artist Dennis Sun Rhodes is on site for the great Horse company Job Fair exhibit.

(Left Photo): Displaying his innovative and progressive company, One Feather, Rodney Haring travelled from New York.



# Ho-Chunk comedians rock the audience

Ken Luchterhand  
Staff Writer

Seven Ho-Chunk comedians took to the stage Sunday night, April 20, to show the world their own brand of humor for the People of the Big Laugh Comedy Contest at the Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls Bingo Hall.

In the end, three were chosen as the best of the group.

First place: Justina Hindsley  
Second place:

Irene Keenan Jr.

Third place:

Marlon WhiteEagle

The show started with Casey Brown, who was born in Richland Center, raised in Black River Falls and now lives in Chicago. He is a professional comedian.



**Casey Brown**

Brown told the audience that he once performed in a biker bar when a big dude approached him and told him he looked young and gay. He got even by stealing his girlfriend, he said.

He said his favorite holidays are Columbus Day and Thanksgiving. He celebrates Columbus Day by breaking into white people's apartments, stealing their gold and enslaving their children. At Thanksgiving, he prepares a big meal, calls up all the

white people and invites them to his place. He watches them eat from outside his home, his face pressed up against the windows.

Forrest Funmaker of Black River Falls acted out his version of the Ultimate Warrior. He also did his voice impressions of being an ambassador to Russia for President Obama. When he returned he told the president that he could make a killing on vodka, chinchillas and panty hose.



**Forrest Funmaker**

Funmaker performed his impersonation of Bane on the latest Batman movie. He replayed the scene of Bane telling everyone that someone in the audience has the detonator to the bomb, and to send up some corn soup and fry bread.

Jeremy Head, born in Sacramento, Californian, now living in Eau Claire, told how it was acceptable to be called an Indian when he was in elementary school and then the acceptable term changed to American Indian when he was in middle school. Then when he got to be in high school, it again changed to Native American.

He told how a bully worked up the courage to approach him and to tell him "Go back to your own country" and promptly walked away. Head



**Jeremy Head**

retaliated by planting his foot into his backside.

Justina Hindsley of Black River Falls told a story of how she was attending the funeral of someone she thought she knew, but was shocked when she looked at the body and didn't have any idea who it was. She also told how she once held the nose shut of a guy who snores extremely loud, then later approached by the guy's sister who asked, "Why are you trying to kill my brother?"



**Justina Hindsley**

Hindsley also told the story of how she was called to the school because her daughter was accused of trying to

choke someone for calling her a name. In the ride home from school, her daughter explained how she killed the guinea pig.

Denis Rockman of Black River Falls told the audience how he had grown up in a foster home. He lived with a couple on a farm and he learned very quickly the birds and the



**Denis Rockman**

bees. He was told the bull was giving the cow protein so that she could live longer and the rabbits were doing "the dance of life" for a very long time.

Irene Keenan Jr. of La Crosse told how she always wanted to be Elvis, but she couldn't because she was already Batman. She laid on the floor of the stage and demonstrated how difficult it was to put her tights on. She said how that the tights would sag, but how difficult it was to pull them up in public. "Imagine pulling them up in a grocery store. I can't do this here – this is not Walmart."

Marlon WhiteEagle of Black River Falls told about the Ho-Chunk birth order names, such as Kunu for the first-born male child, Hana for the second-born male child, and so on. But some men have more than one first-born child, so they name



**Irene Keenan Jr.**

them Kunu-Kunu and in some instances they have children named Kunu-Kunu-Kunu.

WhiteEagle also told how his son took on the responsibility of praying at the table before a meal. Seeming to make it up as he went along, he thanked the Creator for Choka, Gaga, his parents and brothers and sisters, and after a long pause, he also was thankful for "boobs."



**Marlon WhiteEagle**

The event concluded with the announcement of the winners.

Because Hindsley was the winner of the People of the Big Laugh Comedy Contest, she will be able to perform at 10:30 p.m. on May 23 at the Memorial Weekend Pow Wow.

## Storytelling event enriches community

Kathleen Roberts  
Staff Writer

Last month, families gathered at Forest Street School for the first storytelling event planned by teacher, Rosalie Brown Thunder. Wednesday, April 2, marked the second time this event took place. However, this time the event was held at the District 1 Community Building.



**Youth gather around to hear Rosalie Brown Thunder's storytelling with expressive voices and dramatic flare.**

Samson Falcon began the program by welcoming everyone in attendance. He especially thanked everyone for coming to the event and invited them to have dinner before the storytelling portion of the program began. The meal consisted of several choices of soups, cowboy bread, fresh fruits and vegetables and blueberry pudding.

Following dinner, participants formed into three groups, to visit three different storyteller stations. Storytellers included: Myrtle Long, Rosalie Brown Thunder, and Samson Falcon.

Some stories included: The bugged Raccoon (Hiwicozu); the Ho-Chunk legend of Devil's Lake; the council of animal people; the boy who changed into a pony; and other topics.

Before presenting their stories, the storytellers were careful to explain the value and purpose of storytelling. An important point, storytelling is to be done before the final snow melts back into the Earth. Samson told listeners of the importance of carrying-on their culture through storytelling. He emphasized how each person attending this event, shall tell another person. He explained, "Storytelling should be told to your children, and they should tell



**Samson Falcon tells the story of the Bugged Raccoon to enthusiastic and expressive youth listeners.**

stories to your grandchildren."

The purpose of the storytelling events, Brown Thunder expressed, is for cultural enrichment, gathering of friends, families and community. She expressed the need to keep the Ho-Chunk culture alive, through telling of stories. Several of the sto-

ries she shared at the event were documented from 1931 and 1935. Brown Thunder would like to plan and offer more storytelling events in the future, in hopes the tradition will be carried on and not be forgotten.



# Dancers, drums and culture enlighten the crowd at Chippewa Valley Technical College

**Kathleen Roberts**  
Staff Writer

Drum rhythms and songs filled Chippewa Valley Technical College (Clairemont campus) Monday, April 14, 2014. The 5th Annual pow wow exhibition took place at noon until 1:30 p.m. in the student commons. Students and the general public were all invited to enjoy Native dancers performing in full regalia. The dancers ranged in age from twenty months young to adult ages young and old.

Coordinating and organizing this cultural extravaganza was not an easy feat (feet). According to Kodiak Cleveland, a student at CVTC and son of past Ho-Chunk Nation president Wilfred Cleveland. Cleveland said he missed classes to work on the event, however, he was excused from class to oversee the activities on exhibition day. He estimated how many hours he and other students and staff had worked to put the program together; the count was about 14 to 16 hours per day for planning and contacting people in preparation for the rigorous event. Cleveland pointed out that Diversity/Equal Opportunity Manager of CVTC Mike Ojibway, asked him to assist with this

year's event. Ojibway expressed his appreciation and thanks to Cleveland, by saying, "He pretty much put this event on by himself."

Dylan Prescott, known for his expressive dancing and cultural knowledge, shined during his second year as the master-of-ceremonies for the dance exhibition. Prescott's knowledge of dance styles, music and culture worked perfectly to add to the event. Prescott introduced the presentation of colors, as the dancers gathered in-line behind the color guard. The drum group, Pipestone Singers, accompanied the group's processional with the Veteran's song. Hocak Worak Editor and Marine Corp veteran, Marlon WhiteEagle led the Andrew Blackhawk Post 129 color guard to the stage area and gave the invocation. Once the flags were respectfully set in place, Prescott began speaking to the audience. Prescott educated the audience of the importance of each dancer's attire. He said each dancer's outfit reflects something about that person. Each custom made outfit is as unique as is a person's story. Prescott described pow wow dancing as a social time, bringing people together to share dances and music. He

said the performers travelled from Wausau, Wisconsin Dells, Black River Falls, Eau Claire and Tomah, Wisconsin.

Dances performed included the crow hop, men's and women's traditional, women's Ho-Chunk applique', men's grass dance, men's and women's fancy, and women's jingle dance. Tiny tot dancers were featured with their own music and time to perform. Intertribal dances were mixed in between the performance dances. The intertribal dance gave the audience an opportunity to participate, while giving the intense performance dancers a little rest time. Fry bread tacos and strawberry water was served for another taste of culture enrichment. Many members of the audience, including a lot of college students enjoyed this portion of culture sharing.

The two-step was the final dance for Native dancers to interact with their audience participants. The dancers and their partners traveled the perimeter of the dance area and wound around the entire commons and cafeteria area. Then the color guard proceeded into the performance area to retrieve the flags ending the celebration of culture sharing. The master-of-ceremonies thanked the dancers, the Pipestone Singers, the color guard and thanked the event organizers. As the audience began to leave and students hurried on to class after the spectacular event, the MC announced the promise of another program next year.



Colorful and rigorous men dancers are under the watchful eye of a young dancer.



Women's dancers display skilled dance steps and beautiful attire.



The youngest dancer, Hail Lee Sun takes a break with her dad Leonard Hopinka.

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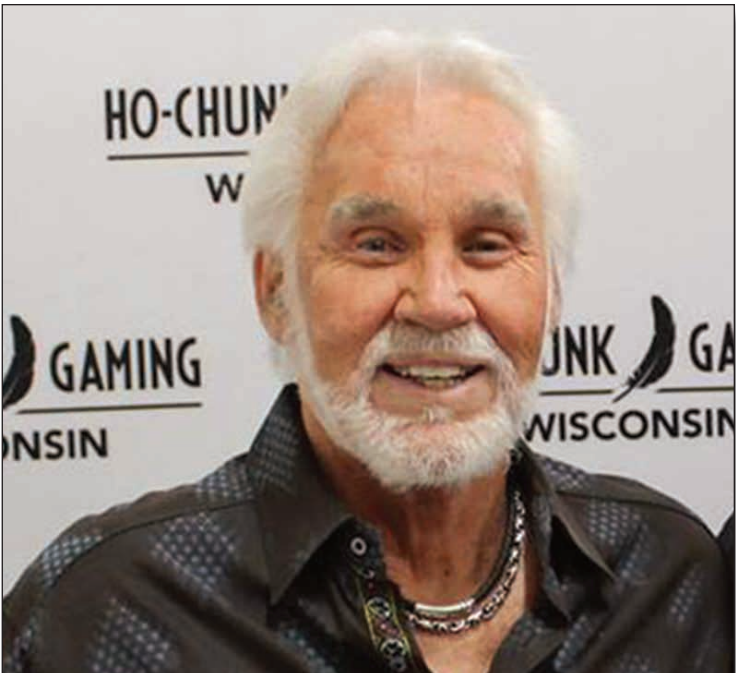
# Kenny Rogers brings music, memories and laughter to the Upper Dells ballroom

Kathleen Roberts  
Staff Writer

“Just dropped in to see what condition my condition was in . . . yeah, yeah, oh-yeah, what condition my condition was in,” Kenny Rogers sang this hit from 1968 to a capacity crowd at the Ho-Chunk convention center on April 19, 2014. Rogers explained, “This may be the most psychedelic experience you’ll have all evening.” From days of old, during the late 60’s into the early 70’s, Rogers was noted as, Kenny Rogers and the First Edition. In 1974 he decided to focus on country music. His first solo hit, *Love Lifted Me*, was on the top country charts in 1975. Roger’s first Grammy Award for best male country vocal performer was earned by his mournful ballad, *Lucille*. Rogers crooned the audience with these romantic songs: *You Decorated My Life*, *She Believes in Me*, *Love the World Away* and *Lady*. Many other familiar and memory stirring songs drifted through the ballroom as Roger’s sang, *The Gambler*, *Coward of the County*, *Daytime Friends*, and *Ruby Don’t take Your Love to Town*. Versatile and successful, Rogers has also made many favorite tunes

with other famous recording artists such as: Dolly Parton, Sheena Easton, and Kim Carnes.

As a singer-songwriter, photographer, record producer, entrepreneur, author and actor, Kenny Rogers has a long list of career endeavors. When additional chairs had to be set up as more people entered into the concert hall, the ballroom was packed full, this was full proof of his popularity and continued success as an entertainer.



Singer-songwriter Kenny Rogers gave an impressive musical appearance April 19, 2014.

## Garvin sworn in



Carol Garvin (formerly Rockman) was sworn in at her first Jackson County Board of Supervisors meeting on April 15, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. by Judge Lister. This is a two-year term ending in 2016. The meeting consisted of electing and appointing Board members to various county committees. Ms. Garvin has been appointed to the Health and Human Services Board, the Property Committee, an alternate on the Board of Adjustment Committee, and the Western Dairyland Committee. The remainder of the agenda entailed passing resolutions on zoning ordinance changes, budget modifications, and reports. Ms. Garvin expresses her appreciation to those Ho-Chunk members who showed their support by attending this first meeting.

## Board members take the oath



Black River Falls School Board Clerk Axel Dressler provided the oath of office to School Board members Nehomah Thundercloud and Laurel Meek. This will be Thundercloud’s first term and Meek was re-elected to the School Board this year.

## Spring Clean-Up

The Department of Housing, in coordination with Tribal Aging Unit will conduct a Spring Clean-up. Spring Clean-Up will be conducted in the following areas; Augusta, Baraboo, Black River Falls, Dells Dam, Fairchild, La Crosse, Lyndon Station, Mauston, Nekoosa, Osseo, Reedsburg, Tomah, Sparta, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin Rapids, and Wittenberg. The calendar shows the scheduled pick-up dates for each area.

HHCA will conduct and provide the details of their Spring Clean-up in their communities

Exception: Return trips to an address or for an unscheduled stop will require a \$50.00 fee to be paid prior to the pick-up.

A. Place all items at the beginning of the driveway, road or curbside. Housing staff will not drive onto the property or go into the backyard or enter the house, garage, or shed to pick-up items.

1. Allowable: appliances including; microwaves, freezers, refrigerators, ranges, washers and dryers, furniture, computers, TV’s, air conditioners, tires (limited 10), batteries, lawn mowers, grills, bicycles, mattresses and other bulk items.

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Important: Please complete the Request for Pick-Up form and fax to (608) 374-1233 Attn: Jeff Hendricks. Or return to the Housing Department five days prior to your area’s scheduled pick-up date. If you have any questions/concerns please call (608) 374-1225 and we will be happy to answer any questions/concerns you may have.

Thank You Very Much,  
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Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Housing  
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### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING’S ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

The Department of Housing’s Annual Spring Clean-Up will be going on May 5<sup>th</sup>- June 6<sup>th</sup>, please complete a “Request for Pick-Up Form” and fax it to (608) 374-1233 Attn: Jeff. It can also be returned to Department of Housing five (5) days prior to your area’s scheduled pick-up date.

Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
5 -Ho-Chunk Village -Indian Heights -Christmas Mtn. -Baraboo	6 -Ho-Chunk Village -Indian Heights -Christmas Mtn. -Baraboo	7 -Ho-Chunk Village -Indian Heights -Christmas Mtn. -Mauston -Lyndon Station	8 -Ho-Chunk Village -Indian Heights -Christmas Mtn. -Reedsburg	9 -Ho-Chunk Village -Indian Heights -Christmas Mtn.
12 -Blue Wing	13 -Blue Wing -Chak Ha Chee	14 -Chak Ha Chee -Avgusta -Osseo	15 -Rapids -Neekoosa	16 -Rapids -Neekoosa
19 -BRF -Sand Pillow -Indian Mission -Maplewood	20 -BRF -Sand Pillow -Indian Mission -Maplewood	21 -BRF -Sand Pillow -Indian Mission -Maplewood	22 -BRF -Sand Pillow -Indian Mission -Maplewood	23 -BRF -Sand Pillow -Indian Mission -Maplewood
26 Memorial Day	27 -Wittenberg -Sparta -Cataract	28 -Wittenberg	29 -Wittenberg	30 -Wittenberg
2 -LaCrosse	3 -LaCrosse	4 -LaCrosse	5 -LaCrosse	6 -LaCrosse

notes

**Allowable items:** appliances including; microwaves, freezers, refrigerators, ranges, washers, dryers, furniture, computers, TV’s, air conditioners, tires (limit 10), batteries, lawn mowers, grills, bicycles, mattresses and other bulk items.

**Not Allowable items:** trash, garbage, lawn clippings, tree branches, oil or other automotive fluids, roof shingles, or items that pose a hazard such as chemicals, paint, fuel, aerosol containers, ...etc.

❖ City of Tomah will **NOT** have a pick-up. Items can be picked up by The City OF Tomah on the first of every month.



# Womens’ group learns of essential oils natural stress relief and well-being

Kathleen Roberts  
Staff Writer

On the third Tuesday of every month, women are treated to a variety of educational, healthful and even money saving projects. The group meets at the Tribal Office Building cafeteria at 5:00 p.m. once a month. The activities are offered through the Ho-Chunk Domestic Violence and the Behavioral Health Divisions.

Hera Lonetree-Rindahl, a

Ho-chunk Nation alcohol and other drug abuse counselor who organized the activity, expressed her appreciation of aromatic and calming scents. She participated with the group, enjoying the educational portion of the presentation and the activities the presenter offered.

Aromatherapy, as described by presenter Shawn Nadeau (RN, BSN) was used in ancient times by many cultures. Egyptians developed a way to

extract oils from plants to be used for medicine and healing. Chinese burn incense for healing and spiritual needs; Native Americans burn sweet grass, sage and cedar for spiritual and medicinal uses. After Nadeau briefly told the history of essential oils, she explained several ways to disperse their healing properties. Sprays, roll-on dispensers, room diffusers and bath salts, are a few ways of getting the calming effects of essential oils. She handed out empty spray bottles and distributed various bottles of pure oils for participants to make their own spritzer blends. She mentioned that the oils were from companies that use only organic plant sources containing no pesticides or toxins. Many familiar scents were available such as: lavender, geranium, orange, lemon and peppermint. Some not so common blended oils were offered including: panaway which gives relief for skin irritations, chest congestion and a blend of oils called clarity, for calming and clearing of the mind. These



Shawn Nadeau (RN, BSN) gives samples of essential oils for calming and healthful uses.



Vanessa Carriaga (left) Cecelia Rave, Macy Goodbear and Gladys Morgan learn the history and healing values of essential oils.

blends have pleasant, distinct and clean aromas.

Class participants were instructed to choose an oil or blend several oils to make their spritz. Several drops of oil were put into the glass spray bottle, then water was added to completely fill the bottle. The group also made bath salts for soaking the day’s irritants away. Starting with Epsom salts, each partic-

ipant filled a plastic, zip lock bag with a cupful. By adding several drops of essential oils, they created a nice blend for the bath. These homemade bath scents cost much less than what can be purchased at a store. After the group finished their two mood relaxing, body calming projects they were ready to go home and enjoy.

# Pet owners should look for spring-time hazards

Ken Luchterhand  
Staff Writer

Bright sunshine, warm air and green grass.

With spring nearby, our favorite outdoor activities are just around the corner.

And that goes for our pets, too, who are anxious to explore the outdoors and get some long-desired activities.

But along with that outdoor fun comes some outdoor dangers, as well.

Toni Thayer, owner and operator of Toni’s Professional Pet Grooming, W9149 Wa Ka Ja Huk Road, Black River Falls, wants dog and cat owners to know that spring is prime time for your pet acquiring fleas and ticks

Pets who travel into wooded areas are especially susceptible, Thayer said.

“It’s important to protect your dogs and cats against fleas and ticks because those parasites carry many types of diseases that can be transmitted to the animal,” she said. “They also can be transmitted to humans, as well.”

Thayer recommends using a quality topical flea and tick

protection, such as Frontline Plus or Vectra.

“Also, there are many new products out there. See what your veterinarian recommends,” she said. “And remember to apply it every month, more often if the pet often explores wooded areas. And don’t use multiple flea and tick treatments – they can react adversely to each other.”

If a pet acquires Lyme disease, which is transmitted by a tick, the animal can become very sick. Symptoms of Lyme disease include being sore, limp, swollen joints, lethargic, reluctant to move, sometimes a fever, and generally look miserable.

The treatment for Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses is 28 days of antibiotics, which needs to be prescribed by a veterinarian, Thayer said.

There is a great danger in using some over-the-counter products, such as the cheaper flea and tick shampoo, which contain strong chemicals that can be toxic and even deadly for animals. Thayer refers to many reports of death and

near-death from certain brand products which have caused dogs to have difficulty breathing, become listless and eventually die.

“There is a danger of using over-the-counter products,” she said.

Thayer suggests pets should be immunized for Lyme disease and other tick-borne

diseases.

Another product every dog owner should use is heartworm preventative, which is transmitted by mosquitoes.

And if your pet acquires worms, there is a possibility they can bring them into the house and be transmitted to humans, especially small children who pick up objects

from the floor and place them in their mouths. Often people do not know they have acquired the parasites until the symptoms become severe.

So, it is important to have your pet wormed, as often as suggested by your veterinarian, Thayer said.



Whenever Toni Thayer grooms a dog or cat, she inspects the pet for fleas and ticks and anything else that may affect the animal’s health and well-being.

Want to learn how to avoid or manage conflict in the workplace, want to be a part of the solution in creating a conflict-free workplace while expanding your knowledge and skills?

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Crystal Young, Personnel Training Manager  
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Deadline for registration is May 7, 2014.

In accordance with the Ho-Chunk Nation’s Employment Relations Act of 2004, Chapter V, Work Rules and Employee Conduct, Discipline and Administrative Review which reads:

32. Alternative Dispute Resolution. In an effort to provide employees with a method to resolve conflict within the workplace, the Ho-Chunk Nation has elected to implement alternative dispute resolution prior to and, in some cases, in lieu of the grievance process. It is the policy of the Ho-Chunk Nation to afford all eligible employees who have been subject to discrimination or harassment a means of having the circumstances of such action reviewed by an impartial and objective mediator. The Department of Personnel will take all reasonable steps to investigate all complaints. The Department will conduct mediations by facilitating discussions between parties requesting the assistance of the Department of personnel in resolving their disputes in accordance with the Personnel Department’s rules and procedures for mediation.



# Celebrate World Red Cross Day by donating blood

Submitted by Brian Gomez, Red Cross

World Red Cross Day is a time to recognize worldwide efforts advocating for the relief of human suffering, whether from disease, disaster, war or famine. It’s celebrated May 8, the birthday of Swiss businessman and social activist Henry Dunant, who founded the International Committee of the Red Cross in 1863.

The Red Cross is dedicated to helping people in communities large and small across the country, responding to natural and manmade disasters; offering health and safety training and disaster preparedness education; and assisting military members and their

families. About 40 percent of the country’s blood is also collected by the Red Cross, which meets the needs of patients at approximately 2,700 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities:

**Clark County**  
May 13 from 12:30-6 p.m. at Clark County Health Care Center, W4266 State Road 29 in Owen, Wis.

**Jackson County**  
May 12 from noon to 5 p.m. at Melrose-Mindoro High School, N181 State Hwy. 108 in Melrose, Wis.

**La Crosse County**  
May 5 from noon to 5 p.m. at Christ-St. John’s Lutheran School, 500 Park St. in West

Salem, Wis.  
May 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Globe University, 2651 Midwest Drive in Onalaska, Wis.

May 6 from 1:30-6:30 p.m. at American Red Cross, 1427 State Hwy. 16 in La Crosse, Wis.

May 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Bangor High School, 700 10th St. in Bangor, Wis.

May 13 from 1:30-6:30 p.m. at American Red Cross, 1427 State Hwy. 16 in La Crosse, Wis.

**Langlade County**  
May 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Antigo Public Library, 617 Clermont St. in Antigo, Wis.

May 2 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at White Lake High

School, 405 Bissell St. in White Lake, Wis.

**Marathon County**  
May 7 from noon to 5 p.m. at Horace Mann Middle School, 3101 N. 13th St. in Wausau, Wis.

**Monroe County**  
May 1 from 10:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1105 Butts Ave. in Tomah, Wis.

May 9 from noon to 5 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 539 South St. in Cashton, Wis.

May 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Rumpel Fitness Center, 1122 South S St. in Fort McCoy, Wis.

**Portage County**  
May 2 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at American Red Cross, 3201C Main St. in Stevens Point, Wis.

May 5 from 1-6 p.m. at Plover Municipal Building, 2400 Post Road in Plover, Wis.

May 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Pacelli High School, 1301 Maria Drive in Stevens Point, Wis.

May 8 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St Paul’s United Methodist Church, 600 Wilshire Blvd. in Stevens Point, Wis.

May 10 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at American Red Cross, 3201C Main St. in Stevens Point, Wis.

**Vernon County**  
May 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Brookwood High School, 28861 State Hwy. 131 in Ontario, Wis.

**Waupaca County**  
May 15 from noon to 4 p.m. at Fremont Village Hall, 317 Wolf River Drive in Fremont,

Wis.  
**Waushara County**  
May 3 from 8 a.m. to noon at Anna Follett Community Center, 155 Front St. in Coloma, Wis.

**How to donate blood**  
Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

## About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation’s blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

Native Arts and Cultures Foundation

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photography  
printmaking • beadwork  
basketry • sculpture  
regalia making  
mixed media (2d/3d)  
illustration • installation  
fabric weaving  
carving (stone/wood)

- Visual Art
- Traditional Art
- Living in MN, ND, SD, WI
- Enrolled member of Native Nation located in these 4 states



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# FREE Clean Sweep

### Acceptable Products

1. Oil Based Paints and Paint Related Material
2. Latex Paints and Paint Related Material
3. Non-Flammable and Flammable Solvents
4. Pesticides and Herbicides
5. PCB Containing Products
6. Gasoline & 2 Cycle OIL, Fuel Oil, Diesel Fuel
7. Batteries (Alkaline, Ni-Cad, Lithium, Mercury, Car & Leaded)
8. Fluorescent Lamps & Ballasts( All Types)
9. Corrosive Material (Acidic & Alkaline)
10. Ethylene Glycol (Antifreeze)
11. Cleaners
12. Mercury (Elemental & Compounds)
13. Dioxin Related Material (Penta & Silvex)
14. Aerosols (All Types)
15. Oxidizers & Organic Peroxides (Hardening Agents, Hydrogen Peroxides, etc...)
16. Oils

### Unacceptable

1. Explosives (Includes Ammunition
2. Shock Sensitive Materials (Picric Acid, Nitrocellulose)
3. Biological/Medical Materials (Red Bag Wastes)
4. Pressurized Cylinders
5. Radioactive Materials
6. Smoke Alarms

The Ho-Chunk Nation Clean Sweep Program is sponsored by the Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency (HCHCDA) and developed by the Department of Environmental Health. Clean Sweeps provide environmentally safe disposal options for **common household hazardous wastes**.

## Clean Sweep Dates & Times

Indian Heights	May 8th	1-3 PM	Community Center
Winnebago Heights	May 8th	4:00-6:30 PM	Tribal Aging Unit Parking Lot
Indian Mission	May 13th	4:00-6:30 PM	Tribal Aging Unit Parking Lot
Cex’ Ha Ci	May 15th	1-3 PM	Community Center Parking Lot
Blue Wing	May 15th	4:30-6:30 PM	Community Center Parking Lot

## Program Information

The Clean Sweep Program is intended for household hazardous waste only. The Contractor will not accept business, agricultural, or industrial waste. Any household that plans on bringing a large quantity of material to the Clean Sweep should contact either Kevin Gunderson or Neil Whitegull.

Ho-Chunk Department of Environmental Health  
Kevin Gunderson  
N6520 Lumberjack Guy Rd.  
Black River Falls, WI 54615  
715-284-9851 X5060

Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency  
Neil Whitegull  
PO Box 730  
Tomah, WI 54660  
800-236-2260



## ATTENTION HO-CHUNK ELDERS

Administered by Auxiant, the Nation’s Elder insurance coverage begins at age 60. **Ho-Chunk Elders must sign up for Medicare part B when they attain age 65.**

- **There is a seven (7) month window for enrollment.**
- The enrollment window consists of three (3) months prior to your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, the month of your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday and three (3) months after your birthday.
- You will receive a letter from Medicare prior to your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday. Please save this letter as a reminder you need to take action.
- Tribal Aging Unit will assist you in the sign-up.
- **If you miss the initial enrollment period:**
- There is an open enrollment period during the first three (3) months of every year (January, February and March).
- When you enroll in open enrollment the effective date of coverage is always July 1<sup>st</sup> of that year.
- There is a higher premium penalty if you do not sign up when eligible.
- **If you are employed by the Nation** when you attain age 65 and you have insurance coverage through your employer:
- You do not have to sign up for Medicare Part B until you lose full-time status or terminate your employment. The Nation’s health plan pays for your covered medical expenses.
- When you end employment or lose full-time status **with the Nation** you must sign up for Part B immediately in order for Medicare to cover 80% of your covered health care costs.
- **If you are employed outside the Nation** and you have insurance coverage through your employer, you have the option to sign up for Part B at age 65.
- The Elder insurance plan will only pay 20% of covered medical expenses.
- Your employer’s plan may not provide all of the 80% not covered by the Nation’s elder insurance plan.
- Therefore with Medicare Part B coverage you may have personal financial responsibility for the gap in coverage.
- **Consequences of not signing up for Medicare Part B when eligible**
- Elder insurance plan administered by Auxiant will “carve out” the 20% of covered medical costs they normally pay.
- The Elder is left with financial responsibility for the 80% of covered medical costs that Medicare Part B normally pays.

**IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU SAVE THIS INFORMATION SO YOU CAN REFER TO IT AS NECESSARY**



HO-CHUNK NATION  
LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR MEETING  
HO-CHUNK HOTEL  
CONFERENCE CENTER  
BARABOO, WI  
MARCH 18, 2014

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Jon Greendeer at 10:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:**  
President Jon Greendeer (P)  
VP Heather Cloud (P-10:09 a.m.)  
Rep. Greg Blackdeer (P)  
Rep. Susan Waukon (P)  
Rep. Lori Pettibone (P)  
Rep. Andrea Estebo (P)  
Rep. David Greendeer (P)  
Rep. Henning Garvin (P)  
Rep. Darren Brinegar (10:13 a.m.)  
Rep. Shelby Visintin (P-10:02 a.m.)  
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit (P)  
Rep. Matt Mullen (P)  
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit (P)  
Rep. Robert Two Bears (P)

**DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**  
Quorum is established.

**OPENING PRAYER:** The Hocak language version of the Lord's Prayer was offered by Ona M. Garvin, Chief Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt the agenda with the following changes: Rep. Henning Garvin requested that Ms. Jean Ann Day address the Leonard Peltier issue on the agenda. It is on the agenda under District 2. To move item New Business "M" to A; and hear at 11 a.m. the Tomah Fire Department request. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **11-0-0 (VP Heather Cloud, Rep. Darren Brinegar, Rep. Shelby Visintin are not present.)**

**PRESENTATION:**  
**Hocak Youth Council attendance at National Congress of American Indians.** Rep. Robert TwoBears. Youth Presentors: Sylvia Walker, President, Pac Hacia Youth Council and Mycaela Custodio, Black River Falls Youth Council both spoke about their recent attendance at the National Congress of American Indians meeting in Washington, D.C. They expressed their appreciation to the Ho-Chunk Legislature for making funding possible enabling their attendance at the meeting of the oldest political US Indian Organization. President Jon Greendeer thanked both of the Youth for their presentation and the appreciation they expressed to the Ho-Chunk Nation.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**  
**Correction to February 18, 2014, Regular meeting minutes. On page 12 add, a third motion under Resolution 02-18-14I, Ho-Chunk Nation Health Plan Eligibility Audit Extension:**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the correction to the February 18, 2014, Regular meeting minutes "MOTION by Rep. Darren Brinegar to provide a cost report for the insurance expenditures every month to finance. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 6-4(Reps. David Greendeer, Henning Garvin, Shelby Visintin, and Greg Blackdeer)-2(Reps. Robert TwoBears and Andrea Estebo.) MOTION CARRIED. Rep. Darren Brinegar would like a cost report on a spread sheet for those that didn't make the enrollment deadline and every time we make a payment on this group I would like a report of what it is costing the Nation."Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Regular Meeting, March 4, 2014.**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to ratify the March 4, 2014, Legislative meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Special Meeting, March 6, 2014.**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to ratify the March 6, 2014, Special meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **6-1 (Rep. Greg Blackdeer)-6 (Rep. Robert TwoBears, Darren Brinegar, Andrea Estebo, Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Forrest Whiterabbit, VP Heather Cloud) MOTION CARRIED.**

**Special Meeting, March 7, 2014.**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to ratify the March 7, 2014, Special meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **12-0-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears) MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**  
**Administration Committee – Rep. David Greendeer**  
**March 6, 2014.**  
**MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to ratify the March 6, 2014, Administration Committee minutes with one correction. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Finance Committee – Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit**  
**March 5, 2014 meeting minutes**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to ratify the March 5, 2014, Finance Committee minutes. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. **12-0-1(Rep. Shelby Visintin) MOTION CARRIED.**

**Finance Committee – Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit**  
**March 17, 2014 meeting minutes.**  
**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit

to ratify the March 17, 2014, Finance Committee minutes with one correction. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **10-0-3(Reps: Andrea Estebo, David Greendeer, Robert TwoBears) MOTION CARRIED.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**  
**Economic Diversification (Standing Agenda Item)** Rep. David Greendeer. **MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to appoint District 5 Rep. Matt Mullen to lead the Economic Diversification efforts. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **7-5(VP Heather Cloud, Reps: Forrest Whiterabbit, Robert TwoBears, Shelby Visintin, Darren Brinegar)-1 (Rep. Matt Mullen) MOTION CARRIED.** (Rep. Greg Blackdeer out of the room.)

**Lynwood Properties (Standing agenda item) was tabled, the Lynwood Task force will be meeting on March 19, 2014.**

**General Council Per Capita resolutions.** Rep. Darren Brinegar. **MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to move New Business "O" next. (The General Council Agency Per Capita resolutions: 10-21-00D, 10-11-03-A, 10-11-03N and 10-23-04T). Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

Marvin Decorah, Chair of the General Council Agency (GCA) spoke about the four per capita resolutions passed at the General Council which have not been addressed by the Ho-Chunk Legislature. GCA Attorney John Swimmer, Mrs. Millie Whiteagle Lee and Joy Thompson also addressed the issue. The General Council Agency requests that the Legislature accept four resolutions and keep them as Standing Agenda items to be addressed. Rep. Lori Pettibone recalled as a past General Council Agency delegate she asked what happened to the other resolutions that are not per capita resolutions. Marvin Decorah responded that they are being researched and to be addressed. **11:00 a.m. Tomah Fire Department Request.** Rep. Andrea Estebo. Mr. Kevin Decorah, Fire Chief, Tomah Fire Department. Mr. Decorah talked about all the services rendered by the Tomah Fire Department and the need for a better vehicle to replace the 1977 GMC Command vehicle which has major mechanical issues. The Tomah Fire Department received from the City of Tomah \$200,000. The Fire Department had fund raising of \$70,000 and is requesting the Ho-Chunk Nation to donate \$80,000 to purchase a new 2014 Pierce Command Vehicle. They respond to emergencies in Monroe, Jackson and surrounding counties. **Resolution 03-18-14A, Authorization to Take Gaming Compact Credit Deduction for Contribution to Tomah Fire Department from 2014 Annual Gaming Compact Payment.** **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 03-18-14A, Authorization to Take Gaming Compact Credit Deduction for Contribution to Tomah Fire Department from 2014 Annual Gaming Compact Payment. Amount: \$80,000. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (Rep. Shelby Visintin out of the room.)

Mr. Kevin Decorah thanked the Legislature for the opportunity to present the proposal and the approval. **General Council Agency request to address Per Capita Resolutions passed by General Council. GCA Resolutions 10-21-00D, 10-11-03-A, 10-11-03N and 10-23-04 T.** **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer the General Council memorandum dated March 14, 2014 and the Per Capita Resolutions 10-21-00D, 10-11-03-A, 10-11-03N and 10-23-04 T, to the Legislative Counsel and the Attorney General for review and response. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (Rep. Greg Blackdeer out of room.)

Rep. Robert TwoBears asked if the General Council Agency is aware of the process for changing the Per Capita Ordinance. Attorney Swimmer responded that they were aware of the process and that the Legislature has to take a formal action so the people know the reason why it can or cannot be done. Rep. Susan Waukon asked how many resolutions the General Council had not forwarded to the Legislature that are related to other issues than per capita. Attorney John Swimmer said there over 100 resolutions and they are reviewing the list. Ms. Roberta Funmaker, Mr. Marvin Decorah and Mr. Parmenton Decorah also spoke about the per capita resolutions.

**Wittenberg Well (Park) Request.** Michael Murphy, Legislative Counsel. No action taken.

**Amendments to Appropriations & Budget Process Act.** Rep. Robert TwoBears. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to table item D until after lunch. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (Reps: Lori Pettibone, Susan Waukon out of room.)

**Resolution 3-18-14B, Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance.** Rep. Robert TwoBears. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 03-18-14B. No second, motion dies.

**Healing to Wellness Court Code.** VP Heather Cloud. No action taken. Meetings pending.

**Resolution 03-18-14C, Support of the Tribal Transportation Unity Act Summary and Advocating for Increased Federal Investment in Tribal Transportation Infrastructure to Enhance Transportation Safety, Employment, Access and System Effectiveness.** Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. **MOTION** by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt Resolution 03-18-14C. Support of the Tribal Transportation Unity Act Summary and Advocating for Increased Federal Investment in Tribal Transportation Infrastructure to Enhance Transportation Safety, Employment, Access and System Effectiveness with accompanying letter of support to Chairman Tester and Committee members with Ho-Chunk Nation President and all Legislators to sign the letter. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit thanked Mr. Brett Blackdeer and the BIA Roads Division for doing such an excellent job in keeping the Nation informed and able to secure funding for our roads.

**Ho-Chunk Museum.** Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit said that she had visited the Language Division in Mauston and there is great interest in a Hocak Museum. She spoke with Mr. James Greendeer, Ms. Josie Lee, a recent graduate of a museum program and Ona Garvin, Chief Clerk about this project. Ms. Annarae Funmaker's work should be continued. There is a pressing need to get this work finished. Previous motions and actions taken are in the Legislative packets. Rep. Henning Garvin stated that this should be discussed in Executive Session due to some of the issues involved. No action.

**NEW BUSINESS:**  
**Resolution 03-18-14D, Child Support Program Comprehensive Plan and Budget.** Ms. Nicole Homer-Lundgren, Tribal Attorney. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 03-18-14D, Child Support Program Comprehensive Plan and Budget. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **4-5 (VP Heather Cloud, Reps: Forrest Whiterabbit, Shelby Visintin, Susan Waukon and Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit)-4(Reps: Matt Mullen, Andrea Estebo, Darren Brinegar and David Greendeer.) MOTION DEFEATED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to move item XI, C, Leonard Peltier Clemency Resolution next on the agenda. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14E, support for Award of Executive Clemency for Leonard Peltier.**  
Ms. Jean Ann Day, talked about the efforts to get Leonard Peltier pardoned and spoke about his imprisonment serving two life terms in connection with the shooting deaths of two agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Mr. Peltier maintains his innocence. He is in poor health.

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt Resolution 03-18-14E, support for Award of Executive Clemency for Leonard Peltier. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **3-0-9 (VP Heather Cloud, Reps: Forrest Whiterabbit, Andrea Estebo, Darren Brinegar, Shelby Visintin, Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Robert TwoBears, Greg Blackdeer, Susan Waukon) MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14F, Placing Proposed Amendments to the Employment Relations Act (6HCC, Section 5) Regarding the Nation's Worker's Compensation Policy out for forty-Five Day Public comment.** Reps. Andrea Estebo, Henning Garvin and David Greendeer. **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 03-18-14F, Placing Proposed Amendments to the Employment Relations Act (6HCC, § 5) Regarding the Nation's Worker's Compensation Policy Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14G, Placing Proposed Amendments to the Employment Relations Act (6HCC Section 5) Regarding the Drug, Alcohol and Controlled Substance Policy Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment.** **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt Resolution 03-18-14G, Placing Proposed Amendments to the Employment Relations Act (6HCC, §5) Regarding the Drug, Alcohol and Controlled Substance Policy Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Wage Caps Resolution Proposed.** Rep. Andrea Estebo. Michael Murphy, Legislative Counsel: Wage caps Resolution 1-08-08A has to be rescinded and restated. **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to review and rescind Resolution 1-08-08A and Legislative Counsel revise the Class and Comp Wage guide and have ready

after lunch. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. **10-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears)-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Rep. Susan Waukon out of the room.)

**Resolution 03-18-14H, Authorizing Enrollment into BMO Harris Bank Payroll Card Program.** Sandra Gleason, Executive Director of Treasury. **MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to adopt Resolution 03-18H, Authorizing Enrollment into BMO Harris Bank Payroll Card Program. Second by Rep. Susan Waukon. **10-0-3 (VP Heather Cloud, Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Rep. Matt Mullen) MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14I, Authorization Use of Ho-Chunk Nation Logo for the BMO Harris Bank Payroll Card.** Sandra Gleason, Executive Director of Treasury. **MOTION** by Rep. Susan Waukon to adopt Resolution 03-18-14I, Authorization Use of Ho-Chunk Logo for the BMO Harris Bank Payroll Card. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **11-0-2(VP Heather Cloud, Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit) MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Susan Waukon to recess for lunch. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was reconvened by President Jon Greendeer at 1:20 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**  
President Jon Greendeer (P)  
VP Heather Cloud (P)  
Rep. Greg Blackdeer (P)  
Rep. Susan Waukon (P)  
Rep. Lori Pettibone (P)  
Rep. Andrea Estebo (P)  
Rep. David Greendeer (P)  
Rep. Henning Garvin (P)  
Rep. Darren Brinegar (P)  
Rep. Shelby Visintin (P)  
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit (P)  
Rep. Matt Mullen (P)  
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit (P)  
Rep. Robert TwoBears (P)

**QUORUM IS ESTABLISHED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to amend the agenda and add a resolution for Presidential Executive and Legislative approval. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin.

**9-3 (Reps: Darren Brinegar, Lori Pettibone, Forrest Whiterabbit)-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14J, Authorization to Issue Legislative Recognition Citation in Recognition of Ona Garvin.** Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. **MOTION** by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt Resolution 03-18-14J, Authorization to Issue Legislative Recognition Citation in Recognition of Ona Garvin. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. James Webster read the Citation. Ms. Garvin was gifted with a Pendleton blanket. Dallas White Wing's Honor Song was sung by President Jon Greendeer and Rep. David Greendeer. A delicious cake was provided by the Ho-Chunk Casino Bakery. This was a total surprise to Ms. Garvin.

**Ethics Review Board Counsel Selection.** Michael Murphy, Legislative Counsel. **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to move the Ethics Review Board Counsel selection into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14K, Granting a Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV14-004.** Michael Murphy, Legislative Counsel. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 3-18-14K, Granting a Suitability Waiver for Case No. WV14-004. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **6-7 (VP Heather Cloud, Reps: Darren Brinegar, Andrea Estebo, Shelby Visintin, Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Forrest Whiterabbit, Susan Waukon)-0 MOTION DEFEATED.**

An alternative resolution is to be presented at the next Legislative Session indicating defeat of Resolution 03-18-14K.

**Resolution 03-18-14L, Authorization for application FY 2014 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) and Rescind and Reestate Resolution 03-04K.** Carol Rockman, Director, Planning and Development Division. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 03-18-14L, Authorization for Application FY 2014 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) and Rescind and Reestate Resolution 03-04-14K. Second by Rep. Susan Waukon. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14M, Authorization for Application 2014 Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) Ho-Chunk Nation Census Project.** Carol Rockman, Director, Planning and Development Division. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 03-18-14M, Authorization for Application 2014 Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) Ho-Chunk Nation Census Project. Second

by Rep. David Greendeer. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

Information on the tribal match is to be provided to John W. Stacy, Executive Legislative Information Officer. (This information was to be provided by noon last Thursday.)

**Resolution 03-18-14N, Authorization of Land Lease on the Rockland Property #439 T 2161 for Wendell Everson.** Mrs. Julie Mann, Register of Deeds. **MOTION** by Rep. Susan Waukon to adopt Resolution 03-18-14N, Authorization of Land Lease on the Rockland Property #439 T 2161 for Wendell Everson. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. The term of lease is three years at \$10,350.00 per year. **9-1(VP Heather Cloud)-1 (Rep. Andrea Estebo) MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14O, Authorizing a Land Lease with the Department of Health for Lot #2 of CSM #5390 Known as Hobson, Town of Port Edwards, Wood County, Wisconsin.** Mrs. Julie Mann, Register of Deeds. **MOTION** by Rep. Susan Waukon to adopt Resolution 03-18-14O, Authorizing a Land Lease with the Department of Health for Lot 32 of CSM #5390 Known as Hobson, Town of Port Edwards, Wood County, Wisconsin. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **7-4 (VP Heather Cloud, Reps: Forrest Whiterabbit, Darren Brinegar, Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit)-2 (Reps: Henning Garvin, Shelby Visintin) MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to review Item M (now P), the Child Support Program. (Resolution 03-18-14D)Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14P, Child Support Program Comprehensive Plan and Budget.** Ms. Linda Moser-Buse and Nicole M. Homer-Lundgren, Tribal Attorney. **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt Resolution 03-18-14P, Child Support Program Comprehensive Plan and Budget, striking on page 2, the second "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED and on last paragraph strike "and negotiate on behalf of the Ho-Chunk Nation". Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **10-2 (Reps: Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Forrest Whiterabbit)-1(VP Heather Cloud) MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit that all resolutions have initials of the drafter on the resolution. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **10-2 (Reps: Greg Blackdeer, Robert TwoBears)-1(Rep. David Greendeer) MOTION CARRIED.**

There is a previous motion that was adopted to have all resolutions run through the Attorney General of the Department of Justice, through the Executive Branch and down through our office before the day of Session. Mr. Murphy could not remember if it included the initials of the drafter on the documents. The President's office has been very good about resolutions being submitted but some resolutions still come up on the day of session so they escape review of the attorneys. This is another layer of delay.

**Resolution 03-18-14Q, Health Care Benefit Plan Change for Tribal Elders (Plan Amendment Number 5).** Libby Fairchild, Executive Director of Personnel. **MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to adopt Resolution 03-18-14Q, Health Care Benefit Plan Change for Tribal Elders (Plan Amendment Number 5). Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **10-0-3 (VP Heather Cloud, Reps: Robert TwoBears, Henning Garvin) MOTION CARRIED.**

**Resolution 03-18-14R, Passage of Amendments to the Appropriation and Budget Process Act (2HCC Section 4).** Rep. Robert TwoBears. **MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 03-18-14R, Passage of Amendments to the Appropriation and Budget Process Act (2HCC Section 4), effective immediately. Second by Rep. Susan Waukon. A memorandum to Michael Murphy with comments addressing the proposed changes from the General Council Agency Attorney, Mr. John Swimmer, with specific objections to revisions on page 9 was discussed. **4-7(Reps: Forrest Whiterabbit, Henning Garvin, Matt Mullen, Andrea Estebo, Darren Brinegar, Shelby Visintin, Lori Pettibone)-1 (Rep. David Greendeer) MOTION DEFEATED.**

**DISTRICT MEETINGS:**  
**District 1, Niooxawani, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, March 12, 2014.** **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to HHCDa the motion by Carol Rockman to have Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency (HHCDa) to fund the construction of a playground at the Children's Learning Village Montessori Academy (CLVMA). Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Read for the record:** Motion by Carol Rockman to have the Children's Learning Village Montessori Academy (CLVMA) provide the food for the Ho-Chunk Constitution Reform Task Force's (HCRTF) Community Forum scheduled for March 22, 2014 as a fundraiser. Motion passed 57-0-0.



**MOTION** by Rep Greg Blackdeer to refer to the General Council Agency the motion by Sandy Blackdeer to have General Council scheduled for September, 2014 at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Ho-Chunk Constitution Reform Task Force the motion by Carol Rockman to have the BIA come meet with the GCA and Ho-Chunk Membership from all Ho-Chunk Communities to discuss General Council Resolution 09-13-08 Repealing Secretarial approval but allowing for referendum Legislature and General Council to retain the power to propose Constitutional Amendments. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Finance Committee the motion to approve funding of \$9,055 for Little League fees and uniforms to be paid out of the Youth Assistance Line item. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Read for the record:** motion by Forrest Funmaker to have the gentleman who is in charge of the deer petition to provide a presentation at the next Area Meeting. (Also someone from Ho-Chunk DNR).

**MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Finance Committee the motion to contribute \$1,000 in support of Allison Giroux’s Midwest Regional swim meet to help with lodging, gas, and food expenses from the Youth Assistance Line item and for the funds to be reconciled. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. Rep. Andrea Estebo requested a budget be provided. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Office of the President the motion to have the BIA Roads Division look into providing Ho-Chunk Language Road signs. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 2, Hinukwas, LaCrosse, March 10, 2014.**

**Read for the record:** motion to refer the pediatric mobile health clinic staff to the Department of Youth Services contact Henry Greengrass for assistance in obtaining new patients.

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the Ethics Review Board the two motions that: the ERB simplify the complaint form and application process and that the ERB complaint form and process be simplified on an expedited timeline. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the General Council Agency that the last 5 years of the GCA travel budget including mileage and stipend be made public and also be brought back to next month’s April La Crosse Area meeting. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Read for the record:** the Administration Committee to review the job description of the General Council Agency and that no persons with felonies work for the General Council Agency.

**District 2, Ho uni xununik, Ah hu co, Tomah, March 11, 2014.**

**MOTION** by Rep Andrea Estebo to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to hold the 2014 GC at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to the Office of the President the motion that the HCN enterprises run a campaign in the opposition of Frac Sand Mining. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to refer to the Office of the President the motion that the water be tested on a bi annual basis. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 2 - Tee jop, Madison, Wisconsin. March 12, 2014.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to hold the 2014 Annual General Council at Chula Vista. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the General Council Agency the motion for GCA to investigate and take necessary action to address the past approved resolutions of the GC that have not been addressed by the legislature in particular the resolutions regarding Per Capita. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to accept Joy Thompson as the Madison area Delegate for the CRTF. Second by Rep Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Read for the record:** a motion to require all board/committee members to be present at the area meeting to give an oral report or submit a written report due to absence.

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the Office of the President the motion to select lot #5 (Madison area building location, no map, address provided). Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the Employment Relations Act work group the motion to institute an unlimited bridge service credit for years of actual years of service for Ho-Chunk Tribal Member Employees with regards to annual leave credit. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 3 - Pac ha cii, Wittenberg, Wisconsin, March 10, 2014.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Office of the President the motion for the Business Department, Brian Decorah and Kelly Jo Funmaker to bring back all of the figures requested by tribal members and the progress of finishing the C-Store renovations. Jobs created by casino expansion. (C-store renovations, gutter run off, priority list, the revenue of the Wittenberg C-store over the others and the percentage of diesel used per year in Wittenberg.) Second by Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Office of the President the motion for Business to create a program of tribal members that will provide general labor. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Office of the President the Wittenberg expansion project to be moved to the top of the Business Department’s priority list. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to have the General Council at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the General Council Agency to cut breakfast from the General Council budget and to serve only coffee, juice and water. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Read for the record:** the motion to barricade the exit area that goes through Native American Church Private Property, until an amicable agreement can be reached or until NAC Charter of Wittenberg is compensated for use of their property.

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Children’s Trust Fund task force that the Legislature provides an explanation on how they derived the authority to put stipulations on how an adult obtains their trust fund money. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **12-0-1 (Rep. Shelby Visintin) MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Office of the President the motion to have a better vehicle for the AODA officer. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **12-0-1 (Rep. Shelby Visintin) MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 3 - Moogasuc, Green Bay meeting, March 11, 2014.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Office of the President the motion that the Business Department provide a detailed, written report of the plans for each of the casino expansions and it be presented to all of the districts then Legislature for approval before the \$143 million are spent. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**Meeting date.** The Green Bay meeting will be changed from Thursday to Tuesday evening.

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to have General Council at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells and to cut breakfast from the General Council budget and to only serve coffee, juice, and water. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by VP Heather Cloud to refer to the Office of the President for Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells to expedite a proposal for the 2014, General Council to prepare and present to GCA. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **12-0-1 (Rep. Shelby Visintin) MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 3 - Cex Ha Cii, Niikuusra, Nekoosa, Wisconsin, March 12, 2014. No motions.**

**District 3 - Niis hakii suc, Indian Heights, Wisconsin Dells, March 13, 2014.**

**Read for the record:** motion to move the Wisconsin Dells area meeting from Thursday night to Tuesday night.

**MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to refer to Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency that Indian Heights to receive a new lighted, resurfaced basketball court, two new baskets, walking trail, new plastic playground (equipment), picnic tables, landscaping of the area and garden space. Second by VP Heather Cloud. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to refer to the General Council Agency to have a price comparison between Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells and Chula Vista. Second by VP Heather Cloud. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to have the 2014 General Council at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells. Second by VP Heather Cloud. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**For the record:** a motion to have the

current pow-wow committee receive the Neeshla Pow-wow funds and for the current officers to finish out their terms, per the Neeshla Pow-wow Committee SOPs.

**Mrs. Bernice Twinn, Tribal Member request for Assistance for daughter to attend US finals Cheer and Stunt Competition.** Rep. Darren Brinegar: Mrs. Bernice Twinn requested assistance of \$2,000 for her daughter, Bailey Twinn and her team to attend the US Finals Cheer and Stunt competition, March 29-30, 2014, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

**MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to approve \$2,000 from the Youth Assistance fund on an expedited basis to assist Miss Bailey Twinn’s team to attend the US Finals Cheer and Stunt Competition and funds to be reconciled upon return. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. **6-5 (Reps: Henning Garvin, Lori Pettibone, Susan Waukon, Robert TwoBears, David Greendeer)-1 (Rep. Greg Blackdeer). MOTION DEFEATED.**

**The vote must be passed by a super majority (2/3 of the Legislature) when requested on an expedited basis.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to approve of expenses for Miss Bailey Twinn for per diem, transportation costs, lodging and admission for one parent from Youth Assistance on an expedited basis with reconciliation to be made not to exceed \$800.00 and the funds to be reconciled. Second by Lori Pettibone. **10-1 (Rep. Susan Waukon)-1 (Rep. Greg Blackdeer) MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 4 - Tee sisik, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 13, Meeting.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Shelby Visintin to refer to the Office of the President to include additional parking, an interior upgrade and a larger sign at Dejepe (Tee jop) in the expansion plan. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Shelby Visintin to refer to the Office of the President to do a feasibility study for Dejepe parking lot, interior upgrade and a larger sign. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**Read for the Record:** to add Notch Greendeer’s post from Facebook regarding IRS Treasury Release Terms and Guidelines for Per Capita distributions to the agenda under New Business #3.

**MOTION** by Rep. Shelby Visintin to refer to the Office of the President to get the General Manager at HCG-WD to submit a proposal to the GCA for General Council and include a deadline. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**MOTION** by Rep. Shelby Visintin to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to have General Council at Chula Vista. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**MOTION** by Rep. Shelby Visintin to refer to the Office of the President the motion to get transportation to the HCRTE Community forum in Black River Falls. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud and Rep. Greg Blackdeer, out of room.)

**Read for the Record:** motion to accept Lawrence Delarosa’s resignation from the HCRTE.

Board of Education nominees were Guadalupe Salinas and Matt Greengrass (rescinded).

**MOTION** by Rep. Shelby Visintin to confirm Guadalupe Salinas to the Board of Directors for Education. **13-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.**

**District 5 - Maanico Horuz, St. Paul/ Minneapolis, Minnesota. March 13, 2014.**

**For the record:** a motion to oppose Budget Appropriation Act concerning budget mods for any department.

**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to refer to the General Council Agency the motion to keep the 2014 General Council at Ho-Chunk Casino Wisconsin Dells. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. **12-0-0 (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)**

**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to refer to the Administration Committee and the Office of the President to name the St Paul Branch Office Building Maa xi Coo Maa Hocirra (Blue Earth House, correct accents will be needed on the spelling). Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**For the record:** Indian Awareness Week funding to table making a decision on how to use the funds provided until the next area meeting on April 17, 2014.

**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to refer to the Office of the President to have President Jon Greendeer help in procuring chairs, a floor runner rug and a flag with poles as promised. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**MOTION** by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit to refer to the Office of the President to have the Office of the President and/or Veterans Affairs provide a Ho-Chunk Nation Color Guard and a flag with poles for the Minneapolis Indian

Awareness Kick Off Parade on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 in Minneapolis, MN. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)**

**District 5 - Gausgonak, Chicago, Illinois. March 10, 2014.**

**Read for the record:** motion to support and move forward on establishing a Board for a Ho-Chunk Museum with possible sites for Wisconsin Dells and Black River Falls.

**MOTION** by Rep. Matt Mullen to refer to Legislature Finance Committee the motion to access funds specific to raising Native American Awareness in the Chicago land area, with the primary focus being the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Robert TwoBears. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**MOTION** by Rep. Matt Mullen to refer to the Development Committee the motion to review the current state of the Starved Rock tax issue, and to request information on the fee to trust application package to be presented at the April 14, 2014 Chicago area meeting with the idea of re-establishing the cultural activities and events that were historically held there by the Ho-Chunk. Second by Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit. **12-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**Read for the record:** a motion to strongly encourage the Legislature to proceed cautiously w/ expansion and to prioritize projects based on their revenue potential and to spread them out over time so as to limit our debt obligations. A non-usage fee and length of payback may be a problem so it is suggested that a line of credit might be a better option.

**Read for the record:** a motion to advise the legislature to make corrections to the revised Election Code by adding items that were previously agreed upon by the Election Code Task Force that were somehow omitted on the code that was released for 45 day review.

**MOTION** by Rep. Matt Mullen to refer to the General Council Agency to accept the Chula Vista bid as the venue for the next General Council meeting. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. **11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud and Rep. Darren Brinegar out of the room.)

**District 2 requests.** (No action needed for March Madness item or the Peltier Clemency request which has been acted on and passed.)

**Earth Day.** Rep. Henning Garvin will refer request for \$180 for a tent for the Kickapoo Reserve Fun Run Walk to Finance Committee

**Revisit Resolution 03-18-14R, Passage of Amendments to the Appropriation and Budget Process Act (2HCC Section 4).** Rep. Robert TwoBears.

**MOTION** by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt Resolution 03-18-14R, Passage of Amendments to the Appropriation and Budget Process Act (2HCC Section 4), effective immediately. Second by Rep. Susan Waukon. Attorney John Swimmer asked that the General Agency comments be accepted here or to extend the 45 day comment period. Specific objection is on page 9, under C. 1. A. This was placed out two times. The comment period is over. There was

a discussion on the return of comments. Some comments were received but it’s almost all in its original form. These amendments were sent out once and came back. Attorney John Swimmer addressed concerns of the General Council Agency as presented on page 9. **4-7 (Reps: Forrest Whiterabbit, Henning Garvin, Andrea Estebo, Matt Mullen, Lori Pettibone, Greg Blackdeer and Kathyeen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit)-1 (Rep. David Greendeer) MOTION DEFEATED.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to place out for another 45 day comment period. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **11-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears)-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud out of room.)

**MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to add Wage Classification and Compensation Wage guide. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. **11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud and Rep. Shelby Visintin out of the room)

**Resolution 03-18-14S, Classification & Compensation Wage Guide Restatement of Resolution 1-08-08A.** Reps. Andrea Estebo, Henning Garvin and David Greendeer.

The 1-08-08A resolution states that once an employee reaches their maximum they may automatically be bumped up to the next bracket. This resolution will not allow that. The employee will remain at their current status and will not be allowed to bump up automatically.

**MOTION** by Rep. Darren Brinegar to adopt Resolution 03-18-14S, Classification & Compensation Wage Guide Restatement of Resolution 1-08-08A. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **9-1 (Rep. Lori Pettibone)-1 (Rep. Robert TwoBears) MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud and Rep. Shelby Visintin out of the room)

**The Legislature breaks at 3:30 p.m. for ten minutes.**

**MOTION** by Rep. Kathyeen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to go into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Darren Brinegar. **11-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud and Rep. Shelby Visintin out of room.)

The Legislature goes into Executive Session at 3:48 p.m.

The Legislature returns to Open Session at 5:45 p.m.

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to ratify all actions taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Susan Waukon. **10-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud, Rep. Darren Brinegar and Rep. Shelby Visintin out of room.)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adjourn, the next scheduled meeting will be at the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls, Wisconsin on April 8, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. **10-0-0 MOTION CARRIED.** (VP Heather Cloud, Rep. Darren Brinegar and Rep. Shelby Visintin out of room.)

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathyeen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit  
Tribal Secretary

SUMMONS  
(First Publication)  
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Artaska Kirk & Milwaukee County, , v. Michael Devan, Respondent.  
Case : CS 14-14

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Michael Devan  
You are hereby informed that you have been named a respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register & Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. See RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS ORDINANCE, 4 HCC § 2.5. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed *can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order.* *Id.*, § 2.6c.

The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court’s mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

SUMMONS  
(Second Publication)  
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Malory Towell, , v. Ricky L. Allen, Respondent.  
Case : CS 14-18

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: Ricky L. Allen  
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# 1st ANNUAL co-ed GAGA PUMPKIN BALL TOURNAMENT

Ho-Chunk Little  
League



Saturday, May 10th,  
2014  
Sand Pillow Softball  
Fields, BRF WI  
First game at 10am

Contact Arielle Hall for  
registration and any  
questions  
715-284-0905  
(ask to be transferred to



**\$\$\$ FUNDRAISER \$\$\$**

- \$60 per team, Minimum 6 gaga's per team.
- Registration deadline May 5th, 2014
- First 50 moms will get a flower for Mothers Day
- Come support our local Ho-Chunk Little League players!
- Concessions will be open!!

## ATTENTION Tribal Members ANNUAL ADDRESS VERIFICATION

Greetings!  
The Annual Address Verification Forms (AVF) will be mailed out in the first week of June 2014 in anticipation of the upcoming Fiscal Year 2015 Per Capita Distributions. Your current address on record is used to mail the AVF to you. The U.S. Postal Service is instructed to return any mail that is undeliverable to your address on record, even if you file a forwarding address with your local Post Office. To deter any delays or complications Please take some time to make sure your address is current with the Office of Tribal Enrollment. A Change of Address form may be downloaded from the Nation's Enrollment Office Webpage. We also accept scanned, faxes or email notifications. When sending your request be sure to include your name, old address, new address, tribal ID number or last 4 digits of your social security number and sign your request.

Thank you,  
The Office of Tribal Enrollment



## Wisconsin

### Basic Archery Instructor Trainer (BAIT) class

Date: May 16, 17, 18, 2014  
Location: N7160 Low Cloud Road, District 1 Community Center, Black River Falls WI, 54615

Name/contact for trainer: Dan Schroeder [daniel.schroeder@wisconsin.gov](mailto:daniel.schroeder@wisconsin.gov)  
Phone: 608-235-4619  
Time of class: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Lunch will be on your own

Please make checks payable to Wisconsin NASP and mailed to: WDNR, Attn. Dan Schroeder, 625 East Co. Rd. Y Suite 700 Oshkosh WI. 54901  
**\* Please include this flier with your payment\***

**Training Requirements for BAI and BAIT Candidates**

- Candidate must be at least 18 years old to be Nationally Certified as a Basic Archery Instructor(BAI) or Basic Archery Instructor Trainer(BAIT)
- Cost for the 3-day BAIT class is \$80.00 per person. This includes all training materials that are yours to keep once completing the class.
- Cost for those taking only the BAI training on April 20 cost is \$80.00 per person and that includes all the training materials.
- Graduates must complete and submit the BAI or BAIT Graduate Information Form after completion of the class.
- General Info, Retention and Reporting Requirements available at [www.archeryintheschools.org](http://www.archeryintheschools.org)

These are 8-hour classes for certification as NASP BAIT/BAI archery instructors. During this class, you will learn NASP safe range set up, determining eye dominance, the 11 steps to archery success, running a safe range plus much more.  
Please wear comfortable footwear and clothes. This class will make your archery program more successful and safe for all involved!

\*You can register for this training or find others at this link  
<http://naspbai.org/ClassSearch.aspx?country=US&state=WI>



Saturday May 3rd

## Co-ed Volleyball Tournament

Black River Falls High School  
Registration from 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM  
Tournament Starts at 9:00 AM Sharp!

Black River Falls, Wi. USA

Team registration fee: \$150, All team members must provide a VALID tribal I.D.

Teams that are registered and paid by April 18 will get a T-shirt. Individuals can order T-shirts for \$10, must also be paid by April 18.

For more information contact Katie Funmaker at [katie.funmaker@ho-chunk.com](mailto:katie.funmaker@ho-chunk.com) or 715-896-5452


1st Place	\$1,200
2nd Place	\$900
3rd Place	\$600
Furthest Traveled	\$200

## NOTICE

### Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Aging Unit Elderly Advisory Board vacancies.

WHERE: Area 2/Madison  
WHEN: May, 2014 WHY: Term expired

Contact Tribal Aging office at 1-715-886-5199 for information.  
According to Ho-Chunk Nation T.A.U. Establishment Act, the new members will be selected by the elders from their respective area.  
Election will be held on May 12, 2014 at Madison Branch Office from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



## HO-CHUNK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ART SHOW

May 24 - 25, 2014  
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Andrew Blackhawk  
Pow-Wow Grounds

Please watch for registration materials on the  
Ho-Chunk Nation website.

All artwork will be judged on  
Saturday, May 24, 2014 at 4:00 PM

Each artist should be available to discuss their artwork.

Refreshments will be served.



## We need YOU to help the Ho-Chunk Nation move forward!

The HCN Legislature is seeking applicants for an Ad Hoc Search Committee to select candidates for the Ho-Chunk Nation's Twelve Clans, Inc. Inaugural Board of Directors.

Requirements: Must be an enrolled Ho-Chunk Nation tribal member, at least 25 years of age, and submit to a background check.

Preferred Candidates will possess professional backgrounds, certifications and comprehensive business experience. Qualifications preferred (but not limited) include:

- Banking/Finance
- Investment
- CEO or CFO
- Securities
- MBA or CPA
- JD

Meetings will be held in Black River Falls, with an option to attend via teleconference. Committee Members will be provided a \$125 stipend per meeting, mileage reimbursement at the Nation's rate, and lodging for those traveling more than 60 miles.

To apply, send Resume and Cover Letter to:

Economic Diversification  
Ho Chunk Nation Legislature  
PO Box 667, W9814 Airport Rd  
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Upon approval, Twelve Clans, Inc. will be a federally chartered corporation founded to develop the Ho-Chunk Nation's economy by engaging in business, enterprises and/or ventures





# Native Students Health Career Camp set for July 13th-17th, 2014 in La Crosse, WI

Submitted by Laura Petersen, Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Center, Inc.

Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Center (SRAHEC) is a community-based, not-for-profit organization with a mission to create and facilitate educational opportunities for students and professionals in rural and underserved communities by linking with academic institutions, health centers, and other organizations to promote cooperative solutions to local health prob-

lems. Known for partnerships across Southwest Wisconsin, one of the key goals is to introduce students to health careers. For the past 13 years a major component of this strategy has been hosting Health Career Camps for high school students in the La Crosse area.

After years of success hosting local students, SRAHEC decided to expand to a second camp that would specifically give students of American Indian heritage experience in health careers.

Piloted in 2012, the camp

brought students from both the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, and the Ho-Chunk Nation, in Wisconsin, together to share in this experience and learn from each other.

UW-Madison School of Medicine and Public Health students in the Wisconsin Academy of Rural Medicine (WARM) play a major role in coordinating and delivering the program. Heading into the third year of camp, UW-Madison medical student Jonathan Fricke, is leading the camp

as his community-engaged project.

The four-day camp will give students first-hand experience in CPR training, job shadows, emergency response, and nursing workshops, a diabetes education seminar, facility tours at Gundersen Health System and the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center, plus campus/admissions tours at Viterbo University, UW-La Crosse and Western Technical College. All of the activities culminate in a trauma simulation on the last day.

The students traveling to this camp come from areas with health vulnerabilities and healthcare access issues. The low representation of health providers from American Indian culture makes the path to health careers less obvious. All of the partners, Scenic Rivers AHEC, the Wisconsin Academy of Rural Medicine, Gundersen Health System and the La Crosse Health Science Academy, hope to make that opportunity a realistic option throughout the week.

May

Elders Birthdays



1	Renee Coleman	19	Marlon Whitewing
	Amos Kingsley		Orval Tipton Jr.
3	Alvina Bolinski	20	Daniel Whitehorse
	William Hopinkah		Wilfrid Cleveland
	Veronica Espinoza		Louisa Decora
4	Carlos Funmaker	21	Joyce Warner
	Joyce Penland		Roy Greengrass
	Forrest Green		Maxine Kolner
5	Phillip Vann		Kate Martin
6	Allen Cloud	23	James Ensley
	Jennifer Kearnes	24	Marilyn Lowe
7	Rebecca Le Garde		Francesca Medina
9	Nancy Hall		Richard Snake
	Carl Hernandez	25	Stella Soldier
10	Yvonne Delarosa		Frances Wentz
11	Sandra Smith		Cynthia Decorah
	Gerhard Sine	26	Louis Decorah
12	Cecil Garvin		Arlene Shegonee-Elwort
	Lawrence Littlegeorge		Regina Taylor
	Carolyn Toews		Christine Jendrisak
13	Glenn White Eagle		Patricia Swartling
	Gregory Smith	27	Phillip Brownwood
14	Larry Garvin		Rosalie Brownthunder
	Maynard Rave Sr.		Herbert Cleveland
	Jeremy Rockman	28	Ruth Rave
	William Walker	30	Lawrence Delarosa
15	Carole St. Cyr		Yvonne Smith
16	Mary Bernhardt		Truman Williams Sr.
18	Gloria White Thunder	31	John Steindorf
	Wayne Peters		Eugene Cloud
			Sherman Funmaker

## Helen Miner Miller Papers on the Wisconsin Winnebago Open for Research at the Newberry Library

The Newberry Library is very pleased to announce that a collection of letters, documents, reports, and other materials created, collected and saved by Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee official Helen Miner Miller during and after the process of formally organizing the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 is now available for research in Special Collections at the Newberry Library in Chicago. Dating from 1881-1979, the collection contains information about tribal governance and programs to improve the educational opportunities and economic conditions of the Wisconsin Winnebago during middle decades of the 20th century. To learn about the contents of the Helen Miner Miller Papers, you can consult the inventory online at [http://mms.newberry.org/xml\\_files/MillerHM.xml](http://mms.newberry.org/xml_files/MillerHM.xml).

Further information about Winnebago(Ho-Chunk) history is available at the Newberry in the Edward E. Ayer Collection, a remarkable collection of books, photographs,

manuscripts, maps, and art about the history of the American Indian.

The Newberry is free and open to the public. To use the collections, you must be at least sixteen years old or a junior in high school and you need to obtain a Reader's Card. Issued in the Reference Center on the library's third floor, cards require a valid ID, proof of current home address, and a research interest that is supported by the Newberry's collections. Reading room hours are Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and Saturday 9:00 AM-1:00PM. Please visit the Newberry Library website ([www.newberry.org](http://www.newberry.org)) for further details on planning your visit to Chicago.

If you have questions about the Helen Miner Miller Papers, other Newberry collections, or becoming a reader, please call the Reference Center at 312-255-3506 or email [reference@newberry.org](mailto:reference@newberry.org). During library hours a reference librarian is always available to help you with your research. We look forward to seeing you at the Newberry!



In Loving Memory  
**Rodney "Buffalo" Twinn Sr.**  
February 7, 1950 - April 28, 2010

**Rodney "Buffalo" Twinn Sr.**  
**Memorial Meal**  
**Sunday, May 25, 2014**  
**Pow wow grounds**



**Happy 13th Birthday to Olivia Marie Anderson!**

**Happy 7th Birthday Kaydance**



Love, Mommy and Daddy!

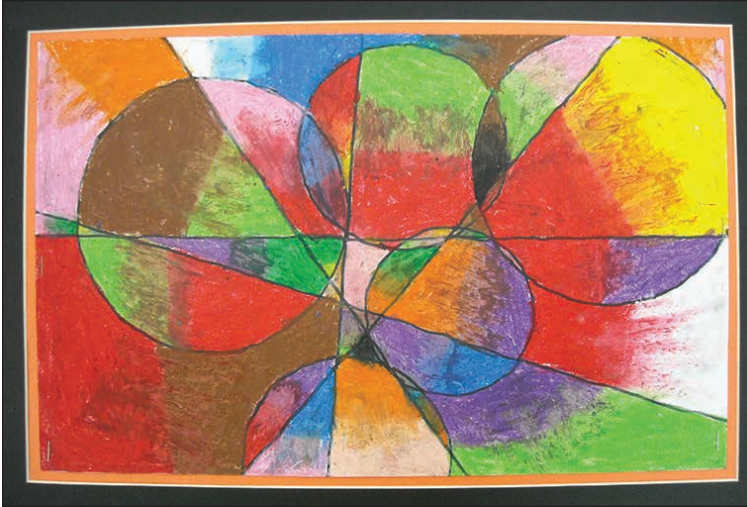


# Valiance Vasquez-Lopez artwork displayed at Wisconsin Art Education Association state show

Kathleen Roberts  
Staff Writer

Congratulations goes to artist Valiance Vasquez-Lopez, a second grade student at Spring Hill Elementary school in Wisconsin Dells. In February her artwork was displayed at the Wisconsin Art Education Association (WAEA) regional art show at the University of Wisconsin-Baraboo. Six Wisconsin regions participated in the event with approximately fifty pieces of artwork chosen for display at

the state capitol. The young artist's work advanced to the prestigious WAEA state art show held March 22 through April 4, 2014. This special occasion was shared by Valiance and her grandfather Kevin Vasquez. They had the pleasure of attending a reception held for all the honored artists. As pictured, Valiance and Kevin enjoyed the day; while WAEA displayed her artwork, the pair displayed plenty of smiles.




Valiance Vasquez-Lopez artwork displayed at the state capitol rotunda.




There's nothing better than sharing special occasions with cooka; Kevin Vasquez and Valiance Vasquez-Lopez.


The Ho-Chunk Nation  
Division of Natural  
Resources will be giving out  
1lb. bag of shelled Indian  
corn to tribal members  
beginning April 15<sup>th</sup> - May  
31<sup>st</sup> in the DNR Office  
located at the Tribal Office  
Building.  
(\*Limit 1 bag per tribal member)



**Ho-Chunk Nation  
Department of Labor  
and  
First Nations Community Financial  
Small Business Think Tank Meeting**



*A Man Must Make His Own  
Arrows.*  
Winnepago Baying



Date: 4/29/14  
Time: 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
Location: Blue Wing Community  
Center

Calling all tribal members who  
are, were or want to be small  
business owners. Learn what  
works, what to avoid and how to  
get serious funding for your  
small business.  
Lunch will be provided.

Register with Tracy Thundercloud  
(800) 294 9343 ext: 1139

tracy.thundercloud@ho-chunk.com

HO-CHUNK NATION TRADITIONAL  
**MEMORIAL DAY POW-WOW**  
MAY 24-26, 2014  
Public Welcome  
ANDREW BLACKHAWK MEMORIAL POW-WOW GROUNDS  
5 Miles east of Black River Falls on Hwy 54  
**Honoring the Ho-Chunk Nation Code Talkers**  
Sponsored by Andrew the Blackhawk American Legion Post 129

**GRAND ENTRIES** Saturday & Sunday: 1 PM & 6 PM, Monday: 1 PM  
**MC's:** Lance Long/TBA  
**Arena Director:** Bobby Bird, Bobby Blackdeer  
**First 10 Drums:** Paid, all others fuel expense  
**Monday Honorary Flag Raising**

**CODE TALKER  
RECOGNITION  
SATURDAY  
AFTERNOON**



**WOINUXAA HITETE**  
Ken Lewis 2014

**Legion Raising Andrew Blackhawk's Flag Saturday 10 AM**  
Registration for Monday's Flag Raising and Veteran's Recognition is at the Legion Post building Saturday and Sunday 11:00 AM till Closed, Monday morning at 8 AM - 9:30 AM  
**Honorary Flag Raising Monday morning at 10 AM**  
10 AM all flags at 1/2 staff. Noon all flags at full staff. Veteran recognition at 2 PM  
Retire all colors at 4 PM  
**FREE CAMPING Showers at District 1 Com. Center Sat-Mon 8-11 AM**  
Vendors fee \$150 for all weekend, cash only. For more information contact Karen Green at 800-294-9343 or 715-896-1925 or via e-mail: [Karen.Green@ho-chunk.com](mailto:Karen.Green@ho-chunk.com)  
Event organizers, sponsors and staff are not responsible for any injuries, theft loss or property damage. Alcohol, drugs, firearms and anyone under the influence are prohibited.

1964 Andrew Blackhawk donated the land which is now the Andrew Blackhawk Pow-Wow Grounds.

**Sat/Sun  
Meals  
4:30 PM  
Monday  
Brunch  
9-11 AM**

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BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615  
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OR EVENTS AT ANY TIME.

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**POW-WOW  
COMEDY  
FREE COMEDY NIGHT**  
MAY 23RD | 10PM | DOORS OPEN AT 9:30PM